The Massachusetts Rifle Association

January 1st, 1876

Agreement of Association.

We, whose names are hereto subscribed, do, by this agreement, associate ourselves with the intention to constitute a Corporation according to the provisions of the three hundred and seventy-fifth chapter of the Acts of the General Court of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts passed in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-four, approved June twenty-seventh in said year.

The name by which the Corporation shall be known is

The Massachusetts Rifle Association.

The purpose for which the Corporation is constituted is to promote practice in the use of the rifle, and the improvement of the Militia of the State.

The City within which the Corporation is established or located is the City of Boston, within said Commonwealth.

In Witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this Ninth (9th) day of December, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-five.

Isaac H. Hazelton.
W. H. Jackson.
C. E. Sanborn.
E. G. Osgood.
George H. Adams.
E. M. Messenger.
F. R. Shattuck.

The Massachusetts Rifle Association.

Boston, December 17, 1875.

The subscribers to the Articles of Agreement of The Massachusetts Rifle Association, dated the ninth day of December, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-five, according to notice whereof the following, excepting only the address, together with a true record of the affidavit of service, is a copy,—

"Boston, December 9th 1875.

"I, F. R. Shattuck named in the following notice hereby certify that I this day served the notice of which the following, save only the address, is a true copy, upon all the subscribers to the agreement in said notice mentioned, by giving to each subscriber a copy of the same.

"F. R. Shattuck.

"Suffolk ss: Dec. 17. 1875. Subscribed and sworn to.

"Before me,

"Chas Wheeler,

"Justice of the Peace"

"To

"You are hereby notified, that the first meeting of the subscribers to an agreement to associate themselves with the intention to constitute a corporation to be known by the name of The Massachusetts Rifle Association, dated Decr 9th 1875, for the purpose of organizing said corporation by the adoption of by-laws and election of officers, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting will be held on Friday the 17th day of December inst. at 3 o'clock P.M., at the office of Charles Wheeler, No. 30 Court St. Boston. Office No. 5.

"F. R. Shattuck

"one of the subscribers to said agreement.

"Boston Decr 9th 1875."

met at the time and place in said notice named.

The meeting was called to order by Charles Wheeler, who by consent of the meeting took the chair and stated the business of the meeting to be the organization of the Massachusetts Rifle Association as a corporation under the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and do such further business as might properly come before them.

Voted – That the meeting now proceed to the election of a temporary clerk.

Ballots were then cast, all of which were for Charles A. Sawyer, who was therefore declared elected, and took and subscribed the following oath, viz:–

Oath of Temporary Clerk.

I, Charles A. Sawyer, do solemnly swear that I will faithfully perform the duties of Temporary Clerk of this meeting of the Subscribers to the Articles of Agreement of the Massachusetts Rifle Association.

Chas. A. Sawyer.

Suffolk, ss: Dec. 17. 1875.
Subscribed and sworn to.
Before me,
Chas. Wheeler. Justice of the Peace.

It was then
Voted – That the meeting now proceed to the adoption of a code of By-Laws.

The following By-Laws were acted upon Article by Article and finally adopted.

By-Laws.

Name.

I. This association shall be called The Massachusetts Rifle Association.

Object.

II. Its object shall be to promote rifle practice and the improvement of the militia of the State, and for this purpose to provide a suitable range or ranges in the vicinity of Boston and a suitable place for the meetings of the Association in the City itself, and to promote the introduction of a system of aiming drill and target firing among the militia of the State.

Members.

III. The number of members shall be unlimited, unless two-thirds of the members present at a special meeting called for the purpose shall decide otherwise.

Officers.

IV. The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, two Vice Presidents, a Treasurer, a Clerk and Secretary, and a Board of seven Directors.
The officers shall be chosen annually by ballot, by the members of the Association, with the exception of the President, who shall be chosen by the Directors from their own number, and shall hold their offices for one year and until others are chosen in their stead.

Management.

V. 1. The Board of Directors shall control the affairs of the Association, take cognizance of all infractions of the Constitution and By-Laws, and fill vacancies in their own body until the time of the next annual meeting.

2. A Quorum of the Board of Directors shall consist of five members.

3. The Board of Directors shall, for their government, from time to time, make by-laws, rules and regulations not inconsistent with these By-Laws.

4. The interpretation of the Rules and By-Laws shall rest with the Board of Directors.

5. The Board of Directors may by unanimous vote, from time to time elect Honorary Directors, not to exceed fifty in number, from those to whom in their opinion the Association may be under obligations; such Honorary Directors to hold office for three years. Any person who shall pay one hundred dollars into the Treasury shall be elected Honorary Director for life, and shall be provided with a suitable badge at the expense of the Association. Honorary Directors shall be exempt from all dues, and shall be entitled to a voice but no vote at the meetings of the Board.

6. The following Standing Committees, each to consist of three members, shall be elected by the Directors, during the month of January, in each year.

1st. Finance Committee.
2nd. Range Committee.

Duties of Officers.

VI. 1. The President of the Association, or in his absence one of the Vice-Presidents, shall authorize the call of all meetings of the Board of Directors, and shall have power to call special meetings of the Association, at the request of four of the Board of Directors or of twenty members of the Association.

2. The Clerk and Secretary of the Association shall notify each member of the Board of Directors of all its meetings; and each member of the Association of every meeting of the Association; issue all other authorized notices to members; make and keep a true record of all meetings of the Directors and of the Association; have custody of the books and papers and the corporate seal of the Association, and conduct all correspondence.

3. The Treasurer shall collect and have charge of the funds of the Association, and pay such bills as have been audited by the Board of Directors. He shall keep accounts of all his transactions, and make a detailed report thereof with vouchers annexed, at each regular meeting of the Directors, and an annual report to the Association at its annual meeting. He shall give bonds in such sum as shall be fixed by the Directors.

4. The Finance Committee shall have general supervision of the finances of the Association. They shall, from time to time, examine the accounts of the Treasurer and keep themselves informed of the financial condition of the Association. To this Committee shall be referred the Treasurer's reports, and all questions and propositions relating to finances; and no obligations of the Association beyond those necessary for current wants shall be made, until the Finance Committee have considered and reported upon the necessity and propriety of the plan proposed.

5. The Range Committee shall have charge of the grounds and all the property of the Association. They shall recommend to the Board of Directors such changes and improvements as in their judgment are necessary or desirable, and shall supervise such improvements, and direct the operations of the men employed. They shall keep the Range supplied by the purchase of all necessary articles for the use of the Range-keeper and the Markers. They shall audit all claims and bills against the Association for supplies used at the Range, and endorse all certificates given under contracts, and no such bills, claims or certificates shall be paid, until so audited or endorsed. But this Committee shall have no power to make contracts or purchases in the name of the Association for anything more than the usual supplies, unless the same is authorized and ordered by a formal vote of the Board of Directors. They shall prescribe the duties, and direct and regulate the services of the Range-keeper, and all other persons employed on the Range. They shall require the Range-keeper to make monthly returns of the property in his charge, in such form as they shall prescribe, which returns shall show;

1st. The amount of property on hand last return.
2d. The amount received during the month.
3d. The amount expended.
4th. The amount sold.
5th. The amount lost or destroyed.
6th. The amount remaining on hand.

Such returns shall be examined and endorsed by the Committee or its Chairman, and presented regularly to the Board of Directors for examination and filing. They shall make such temporary rules and regulations for the use of the ground and the targets, as shall seem necessary to ensure the most privileges to the greatest number. They shall see that contracts for work to be done, and materials to be furnished, and agreements for rents and privileges at the Range are faithfully executed; and generally do and perform everything needful to protect the interests of the Association, and secure a successful management of the Range.

The Board of Directors.

VII. 1. The stated meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month. Special meetings may be called at any time by the President, or in his absence by the Vice-President, and shall be called by either of them upon the request of five members. Notice of all meetings shall be given in writing by the Secretary to each member of the Board, through the post office, addressed to their respective places

of business or residence; but no special meeting shall be held except upon a previous notice of at least two days to each member.

2. Upon the appearance of a quorum at the time appointed for any meeting, the President, or in his absence the Vice-President, or if neither be present, a member selected to preside shall call the meeting to order and proceed in the following

Order of Business.

1. Calling the roll.
2. Reading the minutes of the previous meeting, and of previous meetings not passed on.
3. Reports from Secretary, Treasurer, Standing and Select Committees.
4. Motions and Resolutions.
5. General business.

3. No member shall be permitted to speak more than once on any one subject, until all the members present desiring to speak shall have been heard, and no member shall speak more than five minutes at any one time.

4. All special committees for any purpose shall be appointed by the presiding officer, unless otherwise ordered.

5. Any member of the Board who shall in its opinion conduct himself in a manner seriously prejudicial to the interests of the Association, may be removed from the Board of Directors at any stated meeting, provided the member accused shall have at least ten days previously, been personally notified in writing of the charges against him, and a hearing given him thereon at a stated meeting to be therein specified. But such removal can only be effected by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of all the members of the Board.

6. Neglect on the part of any Director to attend six successive meetings of the Board, shall be deemed a tender of his resignation of his office. But the Board may excuse any member for such neglect, and before his resignation is accepted under this By-Law, the member in default must be specially notified of the same.

7. No debt exceeding one hundred dollars shall be contracted without the vote of at least five Directors.

Inspection of Records and Accounts.

VIII. Any Director or any member of the Association may at any time examine the records of the Secretary, and inspect the accounts of the Treasurer.

Membership.

IX. Any person giving his name, age, address, and the name of the military organization (if any), with which he is, or may have been connected, shall, upon paying the sum of three dollars, become a member of the Association, subject to the right of the Board of Directors to reject his name, and return his dues, in case they shall deem it required by the interests of the Association.

Rights and Duties of Members.

X. 1. All members of the Association shall be entitled to equal rights and privileges.

2. The Annual dues shall be three dollars, payable in advance, on the first day of January in each year.

3. Any member, regiment, or company who shall neglect to pay any indebtedness to the Association on demand, shall forfeit his or their membership in the Association, and cannot be reinstated in such membership except by vote of the Board of Directors, and payment of all arrears.

4. No member shall be allowed to transfer his rights of membership.

5. Any member whose conduct shall be pronounced by vote of the Board of Directors to have endangered, or be likely to endanger, the welfare, interest or character of the Association, shall forfeit his membership. Such vote shall not be taken without giving two week's notice to the offender, of the charges made against him, and affording him an opportunity of being heard in his defence.

6. Any member having complaints or suggestions to make as to the management of the Association, must do so in writing to the Directors.

7. No member shall take any property whatsoever belonging to the Association from its rooms or grounds, except on the authority of a resolution of the Directors.

8. Any member wishing to resign shall make his resignation in writing to the Secretary.

9. No Director shall receive any profit, salary

or emolument from the funds of the Association, on any pretence, or in any manner whatsoever.

10. No member shall give any gratuity to any servant of the Association.

11. All rights and interests of a member in the property and privileges of the Association, shall cease with the termination of his membership.

Meetings.

XI. 1. The members of the Association shall hold an annual meeting on the second Tuesday of January in each year, and such special meetings as may be called pursuant to these By-Laws. If the annual meeting shall not take place at the time fixed it shall be held as soon after as convenient, and the Officers and Directors whose term of office has expired shall hold over until their successors are appointed.

2. It shall be the duty of the President, or in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, to call a meeting of the Association on receiving a requisition signed by twenty members. In the notice calling any special meeting, the particular subjects to be considered shall be specified, and no other business shall be transacted at such meeting but that specified in the notice.

3. Thirty members present at a general or special meeting shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.

4. At no meeting of the Association shall any subject be introduced or discussed which does not relate directly to its affairs.

The Rifle Range.

XII. 1. The Rifle Range shall be under the direction of the Range Committee, who shall establish the rules relating to its management, and who shall have authority to employ such markers and other assistants as may be found necessary.

2. The scores made by the members shall be recorded in such manner as the Board of Directors shall from time to time prescribe. In case of a challenge given to or received from other marksmen, the result of each latest consecutive practice of each member shall be averaged and the representatives of the

Association be selected by the Directors in the order of merit according to the latest averages.

3. Payment of the annual subscription is necessary to entitle a member to the use of the range. Non-members may be permitted to use it under such restrictions and on payment of such amount as may be fixed by the Board of Directors. The range shall be free to members on such days as may be fixed by the Board; on other days each shooting party must pay for the markers services.

4. No betting shall be allowed on the grounds of the Association.

Amendment of the By-Laws.

XIII. To amend these By-Laws, the proposed amendment shall be subscribed by at least ten members, and by them presented to the President, who shall cause the proposed amendment, with the signatures thereto, to be brought before the Board of Directors at their next meeting thereafter. In case the Directors by a majority vote recommend its passage, the Secretary shall issue notices enclosing a copy of the amendment to all the members of the Association, and a vote of two thirds of all the members present at the next annual meeting on the second Tuesday of January thereafter, or at a special meeting to be called for the purpose, in favor of the proposed amendment, shall be requisite for its passage.

Question of Debate.

XIV. Cushing's Manual shall be the authority for the decision of disputed questions of order and debate.

Voted — That the meeting now proceed to the election of a Board of Directors, all on one ballot.

Ballots were then cast and the following Board of Directors duly elected. Isaac H. Hazelton, W. H. Jackson, C. E. Sanborn, E. T. Osgood, George H. Adams, E. M. Messenger, F. R. Shattuck.

Voted — That this meeting do now adjourn for ten minutes.

Attest:

Chas. A. Sawyer.
Temporary Clerk.

Boston, Dec. 17. 1875.

Directors Meeting.

Meeting called to order by Charles Wheeler.

Voted — To proceed to the election of President of the Corporation.

Ballots were then cast, all of which were for Isaac H. Hazelton, who was declared elected.

Voted — That this meeting do now adjourn.

Attest:

Chas. A. Sawyer.
Temporary Clerk.

Boston, Dec. 17. 1875.

Meeting called to order and conducted by Charles Wheeler, at the time and place to which it had been adjourned.

Voted — To proceed to the election of one Vice-President, a Treasurer, and a Clerk and Secretary, all on one ticket.

Ballots were then cast and the following result declared.
Vice-President, Charles E. Sanborn.
Treasurer, F. R. Shattuck.
Clerk & Secretary, Charles A. Sawyer.

Charles A. Sawyer, Clerk, then took and subscribed the following oath —

I, Charles A. Sawyer, do solemnly swear that I will faithfully perform the duties of Clerk of the Massachusetts Rifle Association.

Chas. A. Sawyer.

Suffolk, ss: Dec. 17. 1875.
Subscribed and sworn to. Before me,

Chas. Wheeler, Justice of the Peace.

Attest:

Chas. A. Sawyer
Temporary Clerk.

Voted — To adjourn, to meet at the office of Charles Wheeler, on Wednesday, Dec. 22d. 1875, at 3, P.M.

Attest:

Chas. A. Sawyer Clerk.

Boston Dec. 22d 1875

Meeting called to order at time and place to which Meeting was adjourned, by Dr. Hazelton, President — The following By Laws were acted upon, and passed by unanimous vote:

XVI. All members including Honorary members shall subscribe to the By-Laws.

XVII. The Clerk and Secretary of the Association shall also be the Secretary of the Board of Directors —

There being no other business before the meeting an adjournment was made by vote of all present.

Chas. A. Sawyer
Clerk.

The following members constituting the Board of Directors hereby subscribe to Constitution & By Laws as above: —

C. E. Sanborn — West Medford
W. H. Jackson — 13 Franklin St —
E. M. Messenger — 55 Bromfield St
E. T. Osgood — 210 Ruggles St.
George H. Adams — 78 Chauncy St
C. A. Sawyer — 16 Perrin St.
F. R. Shattuck — 54. Kilby St —

Chas. A. Sawyer Clk

Boston Jany 1st 1876

An adjourned meeting of the Bd. of Directors was held at Spy Pond — It was decided to have By-Laws copied from this book into one more suitable. Several proposals for membership were made, but their consideration was deferred until next meeting — No other business transacted — An adjournment made to Tuesday Jan. 4th 7.30 P.M. at Mr. Messenger's.

Boston Jany. 4th 1876

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Directors was held at Mr. Messinger's as specified at last meeting, Dr. Sanborn in chair. All of the Board present except the Pres., Isaac H. Hazelton. The Treasurer reported a balance on hand of $17.00; satisfactory & accepted. The following list of names was then reported by the Secretary, and duly accepted by the Board, a fee of $3.00 being attached to each application:

E. B. Souther	Wm Crosby	C. C. Wemyss.
Salem Wilder	Jas. H. Wilder	H. A. Garbett,
W. B. Bartlett	Hugh Cochrane	C. A. Parker,
Malcolm C. Greene	E. W. Johnson	O. D. Mooney.

The Secretary was requested to notify these parties that they are henceforth members of the Mass. Rifle Assn.

The original Book of Names under the Preamble was examined by the Chair (after Board) & selections made therefrom of such parties as were thought desirable as members in case they should see fit to apply or fill out the formal application papers sent them by the Secretary.

A motion was made to change the reading of By-Law IV from a "Board of ~~seven~~ Directors" to a "Board of fifteen Directors", to make the number large enough to choose therefrom the Finance, Range, and Executive Committees; motion carried.

There being no stipulation in the By-Laws for the choice of an Executive Committee the following By-Law was proposed & unanimously accepted:

XV. The Board of Directors shall choose an Executive committee of five from their number.

There being nothing further to come before the Board an adjournment was made to Friday Jan. 7th same place & time.

(Margin: × List of names acceptance — Void)

C. A. Sawyer, Secty.

Boston Jan. 7th 1876

An adjourned meeting of Directors ~~of the~~ was held at place of last meeting; Capt. Jackson in the chair. Drs. Sanborn and Hazelton absent. Minutes of previous meeting read. The Secretary read the following proposals for membership all of which were accepted: Wm Gerrish.

Dr. F. Hunt	M. C. Greaves	J. B. Osborn
John Foster	Fred. B. Wilder	H. T. Rockwell
W. V. Hutchings	John D. Apthorp	E. H. Mulliken

Time and place of annual meeting were set for 7.30 P.M. Tuesday × at the rooms of the Mass. Anglers' Association, & instructions given the Secty to notify members to that effect. The meeting then adjourned to meet at time & place of Annual Meeting.

Boston Jan. 11th 1876

Directors Meeting. Rooms of Mass. Anglers Assn.

Dr. Hazelton in the chair. The following names were acted upon and accepted: Wm Poland, Alfred Higgins, Jas. Wemyss Jr., Alonzo P. Clarke, M. T. Donahoe & Wm Roberts. Name of J. H. Frost proposed but held over till next meeting for approbation.

No other business to be transacted and meeting adjourned till Saturday at Spy Pond.

Boston Jan. 15th 1876

At a meeting of Directors held at Spy Pond the following names were acted upon and accepted: H. A. Skinner, Carl Dittmar, J. N. Frye, A. A. Robinson, A. H. Harvey (Hardy), Dr. E. Webb, J. H. Frost.

Boston Jan. 11th 1876

The regular annual meeting of the Association was held at the rooms of the Mass. Anglers Assn. on above date, in accordance with the By-Laws of the Association. Dr. Hazelton, President, called the meeting to order at 7.50 P.M. Twenty-five members answered to the roll call, five being absent. There being no reports to be made the meeting proceeded to the transaction of general business as follows:

On motion the By-laws were read by the Secretary. In order that every member might become familiar with same Capt. Jackson moved to have 50 copies printed for present use; motion carried. On motion the vote was reconsidered; A motion then made to have 100, instead of 50, copies printed on account of the increasing number of members, was carried.

Dr. Sanborn moved that a committee of five be appointed for purpose of nominating officers of the Association & Bd. of Directors for the year

ending with the second Tuesday in January 1877.
Motion carried and the chair appointed the following gentlemen on said committee: Messrs. Sanborn, Jackson, Cory, Osborn and Clarke.
On motion of Dr Sanborn it was decided to postpone election of officers until second Tuesday in Feb. in order to give the committee time to act, & that after transaction of business before the meeting, an adjournment be made to said date.

Practice

The Bd. of Directors having changed the time of practice meetings of the Assn. from fortnightly to weekly, the Secretary was instructed to notify all members to that effect.

Question of publishing scores came before the meeting. Mr. Cory moved that only scores above 38 Creedmoor be published; objected to, and amended to only those above 35. Objected to by several members; not carried. There being some parties present desiring to join the Assn., whose names had not been acted upon by the Directors, a recess of 10 min was taken on motion, ~~allowed the Bd~~ for this purpose. (page 15, Directors Meeting Jan 11th)

Meeting called to order & Secretary reported the following names as having been passed upon and accepted by the Board: Wm. Poland, Alfred Higgins, J. Wemyss Jr., A. P. Clarke, M. T. Donahoe & Wm. Roberts. They were requested to sign the Roll.

Dr Sanborn moved that any member have the privilege of withdrawing, in practice shoots, before having shot out his string, and only then. Objected to, & amendment offered to the effect that the score of any gentleman thus withdrawing be omitted in the club records. Objected to. It was then moved that the matter be held over till next meeting for ~~re~~consideration; carried.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned to second Tuesday in Feb., same place & time unless otherwise specified.

Boston, Jan. 22nd '76

At a meeting of Bd of Directors at Spy Pond the following proposals were acted upon and accepted: C. B. Danforth, H. R. Schaefer, C. P. Roberts, & E. B. Hull. Names held over from preceding meeting still held over for further consideration.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned.

Boston Jan. 28th 1876

Special Directors Meeting:

Meeting called to order at 7.30 P.M. Dr Sanborn in the chair. Roll called and Messrs Hazelton & Messinger absent. No reports. The proposals for membership of Messrs. Long, Chaffin and Scott, held over from previous meetings, were, in consideration of the interests of the Association "respectfully declined"; & the Secretary was instructed to notify them & return fee in accordance with the By-Laws. The two following By-Laws
× were then proposed by Dr. Sanborn and × [accepted] by unanimous vote. Secty was instructed to act in the matter & forward a copy of same, with ten names subscribed, to the President:

XVIII.

"All regular members in good standing of Regiments and Companies, may be admitted to the same privileges at the Range as regular members of the Association, by the payment of one half the annual dues for the current year, for such members present at the annual inspection."

XIX.

"Any member can be a member for life by the payment in one sum of twenty-five dollars, and shall thereafter be exempt from all dues and assessments."

The following gentlemen were by a unanimous vote elected Honorary Directors of the Association:

His Excellency, Gov. Alex. H. Rice,
Maj. Gen. Benj. F. Butler (U.S.A.) M V M
" " Henry W. Benham U.S.A.
Rear Adm. H. K. Thatcher U.S.N.
His Honor, Mayor Saml. C. Cobb.

The Secretary was directed to notify them of their election & enclose a copy of the M. R. A. By-Laws.

On motion, the Chairman of the Range Committee was given authority to have a number of the new score-tickets printed, & to obtain necessary funds from the Treasurer.

There being no further business before the Board an adjournment was made to place & date of adjourned annual meeting, at 7 P.M.

Boston, Feb. 8th '76

Adjd. Special Directors meeting.

Meeting called to order by Dr. Hazelton — Report of preceding meeting read by Secty — The President then read a petition signed by ten members recommending the adoption of the By-Laws XVIII & XIX (p. 17); by unanimous vote of the Bd. they were recommended for passage, & Secty directed to send a copy to all members of the Assn. before Tues. Feb. 15, when they were to be ~~acted~~ voted upon.

The following names were then acted upon and accepted:

Gen. Jas. A. Cunningham, E. L. Zalinski,
Jesse F. Wheeler, Capt. F. H. Gilman,
Ezra J. Trull, W. H. Brown,
Hon. Jos. E. Fiske, Jas. T. Eldredge,
D. H. Follett

✓ By unanimous vote the two following names were added to the list of Honorary Directors:— Judge Chas. Devens and Adm. Chas. Steedman.

An adjournment was then made "sine die".

Boston, Feb. 8th 1876

Adjourned Annual Meeting —

Meeting called to order at 7.40 P.M., Dr. Hazelton, President, in the chair.

On motion the Committee on * the Nominations reported the following names

Gen. J. A. Cunningham, J. B. Osborn,
Capt. F. R. Shattuck, Gen. M. T. Donahoe,
Dr. I. H. Hazelton, Col. Ezra J. Trull,
E. M. Messinger, " Wm. V. Hutchings,
Gen. H. B. Sargent, Hon. J. E. Fiske,
Capt. W. H. Jackson, Jas. T. Eldredge,
Hon. J. L. Stevenson, Chas. Wheeler,
Dr. C. E. Sanborn, & others

In accordance with the laws of the State it was deemed necessary to choose a Secretary, & Treasurer, first, and it was voted that they be elected by joint ballot & a committee appointed to count votes. The Chair appointed Messrs. Cory and Osborn to act in this capacity. Result of Election:

Total no. of votes cast for Secty.	27
" " " " " " Treas.	28
" " " " " Sawyer secy	26
" " " " " Steinkrauss "	1
" " " " " Shattuck Treas.	26
" " " " " O. D. Mooney "	2

(Secy was qualified) ✗

Void: The election of two Vice Presidents came next in order. The President being ~~one of the proposed V.-P.s withdrew his name from the list, not desiring the position, and~~ the only candidates remaining being Messrs. Cunningham, Hutchings, Jackson, & Sanborn. Short discussion as to method of balloting for 1st & 2nd Vice President, finally voted on motion of Capt Jackson that the ballot for both be taken on one ticket, the gentleman receiving the largest number of votes for 1st V.P. to be so chosen, & same in case of 2nd V.P. Same committee on counting votes retained.

Result of vote for Vice Presidents:

Gen. Jas. A. Cunningham	(for 1st)	22
" " "	" 2nd	1
Col. W. V. Hutchings	" 1st	8
" " "	" 2nd	13
Dr. I. H. Hazelton	" 1st	1
" " "	" 2nd	4
Capt. W. H. Jackson	" "	2
Dr. C. E. Sanborn	" "	2
Total no. of votes cast		53

Gen. Cunningham declared elected 1st Vice President, and Col. W. V. Hutchings 2nd.

During the voting the chairman of the Range Committee was asked to report, at the request of Mr. J. Wemyss Jr. The chairman, Capt. Jackson, replied, that as no survey had been made as yet no report could be made, except as to

location; the range being at Winchester in a convenient locality for cars, and so situated that any range may be had, from 200 to 1000 yards, from one firing point. He further stated that the firing point was of sufficient width to admit of military matches taking place there, this point being doubted by the chair at the start.

On motion it was decided, by a unanimous vote, to extend to Mr. Messenger a vote of thanks for granting the Assn. the free use of his rooms for holding its meetings heretofore; the Secretary was authorized, accordingly, to forward said vote to Mr. Messenger.

The manner of electing the Board of Directors being next in order, Capt. Jackson moved that the Roll be called and each one come forward & vote by marking 15 from a list of candidates prepared by the Committee, & that the 15 receiving the highest number of votes be elected; motion carried but objected to as out of order & not in accordance with the By-Laws. Point discussed. Mr Cory's motion to proceed as started not carried. A motion to return to ballot, but objected to as too much time would be required. Mr. Stevenson moved that same idea of marking the list in order of Roll be adhered to, but that the 15 receiving the highest number of marks be merely nominated & voted upon afterwards; carried. While the Roll was being called & members voting, a proposal was made (read) by Capt. Jackson to have a field-day at Spy Pond, Feb 22nd, & prizes given &c. &c. which was accepted, ~~& passed~~ being as follows: "It is moved that on the 22nd of this month (Feb.) Washington's Birthday, the Association have a Field Day at the Spy Pond Range - to commence with pool shooting at 9 o'clock A.M., the Pool Targets to be open all day. At 11 o'clock have a grand prize match for the following prizes.

1st prize,	a gold medal	$25.00 -	4th prize,	Pistol	$8.00
2nd "	" silver "	15.00 -	5th "	Powder flask	5.00
3rd "	Pistol	12.00 -	6th "	Cash	3.00

Total valuation of prizes $68.00 - The first

prize to be given to person making highest score; 2nd prize to next highest score; 3rd to be given to the sixth highest score. The fourth prize to be given to the tenth, & the fifth prize to the fifteenth highest score; the sixth prize to be given to the twenty-fifth highest score. Massachusetts targets will be used. Entrance fee $2.50. All the prizes will not be competed for unless thirty or more enter for the match. Pool tickets entitling the holder to one shot at any pool target to be sold at the Range for ten cents each. Each competitor making a bull's-eye to secure a Bull's-eye Ticket, at the close of the firing at noon and evening, the pool receipts (less one-half retained for expenses) to be divided pro rata among those making bull's-eyes upon presentation of their tickets. No person to shoot more than two shots at a pool target consecutively, provided others are waiting to fire. In the prize shooting we are to be governed by the rules of the National Rifle Association. Each competitor to have 2 sighting and fifteen scoring shots. Entrance fee to be made less if enough enter to warrant it." On motion of Sanborn Messrs. Jackson, Stevenson & ~~Sanborn~~ Rockwell were chosen as a committee to take the matter in charge.

The Question of publishing scores was then discussed, & the initiative taken by Mr. Danforth who strongly advocated the publishing of all scores of parties attending any shoot of the Association. Capt. Jackson thought it should be optional. The committee appointed to count votes then reported the result of the nomination as follows:

Directors:	Dr. C. E. Sanborn
Gen. J. A. Cunningham	J. B. Osborn
Capt. F. R. Shattuck	Gen. M. T. Donahoe
Dr. I. H. Hazelton	Col. E. J. Trull
E. M. Messenger	" W. V. Hutchings
Gen. H. B. Sargent	Hon. J. E. Fiske
Capt. W. H. Jackson	Jas. T. Eldredge
~~Hon.~~ Col. J. L. Stevenson	Chas. Wheeler

On motion of Capt. Jackson the Secretary was given authority to cast the vote of the association for members present, on behalf of the directors, & the 15 Directors were elected as nominated. Discussion of score-publishing question then renewed - Several thought the interests of the association at stake & that all scores should not be published. Interruption by the President & the two proposed new by-laws read, but on motion referred to a special meeting to be held on the fifteenth inst, same time and place - A motion to adjourn not carried. A motion to leave matter of scores with the Range Committee, not put to vote - Mr. Danforth stated that the scores would be published free of charge at any time, they being news and therefore always acceptable. Complaint made that scores were often changed & the report published therefore was false and unsatisfactory - Mr. Stevenson argued strongly in favor of publishing all scores, & Mr. Kirkwood as strongly against same; the latter claiming that the only successful way of teaching the art of Rifle-shooting, and of fostering the young talent in the Assn. was to make the matter optional, and not discourage many in the beginning by thus making their scores public. Mr. Danforth suggested that all above a certain number be published, and the grand average of all shooting be taken and also ~~be~~ published as justice to the man having the lowest score published - The chair and others in favor of leaving it optional - Finally put to vote with following result:

Those in favor of pub.g all scores.	14.
" opposed to ~~making~~ " "	7.
Total no. votes cast.	21.

~~Result~~ Voted therefore to publish all scores hereafter. The meeting then adjourned.

Boston, Feb. 15th '76

Directors Meeting. (Anglers Assn. Rooms.)

Meeting called to order by Dr. I.H. Hazelton at 3 o'clock P.M. Members present: W. H. Jackson, E. M. Messinger, Chas. Wheeler, F. R. Shattuck, C. E. Sanborn,

Void

Also void

I. H. Hazelton, Hon. Jos. E. Fiske. The following proposals for membership were then read and accepted: - Geo. H. Williams, Nath'l Wales, Isaac J. Wetherbee.

Gen. H. B. Sargent was unanimously elected President of the Association - The meeting then adjourned to Feb. 21st, 3 P.M., at office of Chas. Wheeler 30 Court st.

Boston, Feb. 15th, 1876

Mass. Anglers Assn. Rooms

Special Meeting.

Meeting called to order by Capt. F. R. Shattuck - There not being a quorum present the meeting adjourned to Spy Pond, Saturday Feb 19th -

Spy Pond, Feb. 19th 1876

Adjourned Special Meeting.

Meeting called to order by the Secretary - Dr. C. E. Sanborn chosen Chairman - The business of the meeting being the action on two new By-Laws, (XVIII & XIX), they were read by the chair and adopted by a unanimous vote of all members present, there being (36) thirty-six. The meeting then adjourned "sine die".

Directors Meeting, Feb 21st 1876.

held at office of Charles Wheeler Esq. 30 Court St. Boston. Mass. Meeting called to order by the President, Gen H. B. Sargeant. - Calling of the roll. - present Gen H. B. Sargeant, C. E. Sanborn I. H. Hazelton, Chas. Wheeler, J. L. Stevenson, E. M. Messinger, W. H. Jackson. - Treasurer absent no report - Secretary absent no report - Range Committee reported favorably regarding land in Woburn, and invited board of Directors to visit same and inspect. with a view to securing it - Letters of acceptance of Honorary Directorship by His Excellency A. H. Rice, Maj. Gen. B. F. Butler; Maj. Gen H. W. Benham, Admirals Henry Knox Thatcher and Chas Steadman, His Honor S. C. Cobb read, - Proceeding to ballot for Finance Committee

John L. Stevenson, Col. W.V. Hutchins, and, James T. Eldridge chosen. Proceeding to ballot for Range Committee, C.E. Sanborn, W.H. Jackson. J.B. Osborn chosen.— On motion of Mr Stevenson the President of the Association was made chairman of the Executive Committee and the following additional members of the Executive Committee chosen. C.E. Sanborn, J.B. Osborn, I.H. Hazelton, W.H. Jackson.— Chas Wheeler Esq. was chosen Counsellor of the Association, W.H. Jackson. J.L. Stevenson. H.T. Rockwell the committee previously appointed were given full charge of all matters pertaining to the prize shooting, on the 22nd of Feb— Voted to affiliate with National Rifle Association and the Secretary is instructed to forward list of Officers, scores &c, as per document received from N.R.A. On motion of Dr Hazelton an investigating committee of three to act on proposals for membership, and F.R. Shattuck. C.E. Sanborn. W.H. Jackson chosen. Voted the board of directors visit the proposed range, on Thursday the 24th inst,—Voted that the powers of the Executive ~~Committee~~ Officer be delegated to the Executive Committee, until an Executive Officer be chosen. Voted. that the Prest be requested to prepare a circular, to be sent to Commanders of Military Organizations in Mass. inviting them to co-operate. with the Mass. Rifle Association in advancing the objects and interest of the Association.— The following names were then acted upon. and voted in as members. John A. Lowell—, John M. Merrill,— Robert Williams The meeting then adjourned.

C.E. Sanborn
Sec Pro Tem

Spy Pond. Mch 11. 1876.

A meeting of the Directors of the Mass. Rifle Association at Spy Pond Range. this date, was called to order by the Executive Officer, Mr J.L. Stevenson. who was voted to the chair,— J.B. Osborn Secy. pro-tem A question was raised by Capt W.H. Jackson, concerning the legality of the meeting, as the notices read, "pr order of C E Sanborn" and not that of the Prest or Vice Prest, as required by the

bye-laws, The Chair with concurrence of the Directors ruled that Mr Sanborn, was acting as messenger from the Prest, in calling the meeting, and that the wording on the notices was merely a technical error, and did not effect the legality of the meeting, The only business before the meeting was the admission of members. and

Mr C.E. Sanborn	proposed	Mr S.P. Jones.
" J.L. Stevenson	"	" G.W. Gale.
" S.E. Noyes.	"	" S.E. Ring.
" H.T. Rockwell	"	" Wm Luscomb.

The investigating committee reported favorably. they were admitted. and the meeting adjourned,

John B. Osborn
Secy. Pro. Tem

Boston. Tuesday Mch 7th. 1876.

Regular Monthly Meeting of Directors; Rooms of Mass. Anglers Assn. Called to order by the President present Genl H. B. Sargeant W.H. Jackson C.E. Sanborn. J.L. Stevenson, E.J. Trull. J.B. Osborn E.M. Messenger,— no report from Treasurer, or Secretary, both being absent.— Voted that the Directors visit the proposed range on Tuesday the 14th inst, meeting at the Lowell station. at 10 o'clock A.M.— Voted that the members of committees chosen at the last meeting, of the Directors. be requested to resign, in order that a rearrangement of committees be made.— Voted, That the chair nominate a committee of three, to prepare a list of committees, The chair nominates C.E. Sanborn. E.M. Messenger E.J. Trull.— Voted— the ~~Assn~~ President be empowered to select the Executive & Statistical Officers,

The President appointed { J.L. Stevenson chosen Executive Officer
H.T. Rockwell " Statistical "

Voted the Association, have a Prize shoot on the 17th inst— Voted that the Assn be divided for the shoot into two classes; all who have made 90 twice. to be in the 1st class.— all under in the 2nd class.— Voted— that the whole matter of the shoot. of the 17th be referred to the Executive Committee Voted— That the matter of badges be left to the

Finance committee to report. Applications for membership from

Eli J. Bryce 778 Saratoga St E.B.
Ellis Lawrence 160 Chelsea St Charlestown
J. E. Hall Elm St Cambridge
F. N. Brown Newton Centre.

The committee of three, to prepare a list of Special Committees present the following, for Finance Committee, and they were elected.

J. L. Stevenson,
W. N. Hutchins,
J. T. Eldridge.

Range Committee

W H. Jackson.
F. R. Shattuck.
I. H. Hazelton,

Executive Committee

H. B. Sargeant.
C E. Sanborn
M J. Donahoe.
E. J. Trull
J. B. Osborn.

Reception Committee

J. A. Cunningham,
J. E. Fiske,

Membership Committee

F R. Shattuck
E. M. Messenger
I H. Hazelton.

Counsellor.

C. A. Wheeler.

The meeting then adjourned

C E Sanborn
Sec. Pro tem

Boston, Mch. 24th. 1876.

At a Directors Meeting, evening Mch 22nd at a room secured for the purpose over Boylston Market J. L. Stevenson voted to chair. J. B. Osborn, Secy. pro tem. The following Directors present. J. L. Stevenson, C E. Sanborn, W H. Jackson. M J. Donahoe. J. B Osborn I H. Hazelton. E. M. Messenger. Voted, waive reading minutes from last meeting. Voted - That rifle presented by Sharps Co. be shot for at regular practice - meetings, and when won by any man, three

three times, be his permanently. Any man finally winning it, not to be eligible to win any rifle that may be subsequently presented for the same purpose. The investigating committee reported favorably regarding the admission of the following gentlemen as members

W. F. Matchett by W H. Jackson.
Geo H. Sampson " Carl Dittmar.
Arthur Harrington " Ezra J Trull.
W H. Harrison " Wm Poland
J Brooks Parker " Chas A Parker
W H Taylor " C N. Meiggs.
H W Richardson " Chas Wheeler
F W. Stevens " E M Messenger.
Edw C. Spofford " A P. Clarke.

The application of J W Long. proposed by J. N Frye was held over for further consideration, having been rejected at a previous meeting. adjourned.

John B. Osborn
Secy. Pro Tem

After the above a meeting of the Association took place, Salem Wilder, chair. J. B. Osborn Secy. pro-tem, Voted to amend Article XVI. of the Bye laws - so that it read as follows.

XVI.

All regular members, in good standing, of military organizations, associations, regiments, battalions and companies, may be admitted to the same privileges at the Range as regular members of the Association, by the payment of one-half the annual dues for each member present at the annual inspection of such organizations.

Voted to have field day Apr 19th subject to conditions as specified. "It is moved the Association make a field day of the 19th of April, and omit the next practice day. That we have pool shooting and practice in the morning, - pool tickets, 10cts per shot, one half the amount retained for expenses the balance to be divided among the Bulls eye tickets, practice shots to be 5cts each - At one o'clock the shooting to commence for prizes. Competitors to be divided into three classes. Individual average of 8.6 and over in the first class from 8.0 to 8.6 in the second class - all under 8 - in the third class. Any competitor whose score is not known to shoot in the first class - no one to be handy-capped - the average to be made up to include April 8th, there will be three prizes

in each class — Entrance fee to be $2.50
The first prize in each class not to exceed $15 —
" second " " " " $10 —
" third " " " " $6 —
Voted to accept the resignation of Secretary, C. A. Sawyer, with vote of thanks, of which Secy pro tem was instructed to notify him. Mr Robert Williams was chosen Secretary by vote of the Association cast by Secy, pro-tem. A committee composed of J. L. Stevenson, A. P. Clark & C. E. Sanborn nominated for delegates to the convention in N.Y. Messrs H. B. Sargeant, H. T. Rockwell & J. Le Stevenson & they were elected, giving them power to appoint their own substitutes, if any be required, from members of the Assoc. Voted - to leave choice of representatives to Nat. Rifle Assn to Directors with instruction to send men having best average score. — The procuring of range was referred to directors, they to instruct range committee to act in the matter with all despatch and report, also to draw on Treasurer for travelling expenses

John B. Osborn
Secy Pro Tem

Boston. Apr 4th. 1876.

Monthly Directors Meeting, Rooms. Mass. Anglers. Assn
C. E. Sanborn in chair, J. B. Osborn Secy pro-tem
Present J. L. Stevenson, E. M. Messenger, C. E. Sanborn W. H. Jackson, J. B. Osborn —. Voted to waive reading records of previous meeting —

Voted — To appoint a committee of three to revise and correct records — which was done by the chair & Messrs J Le Stevenson, W. H. Jackson and Chas. L. Wheeler appointed

Voted — That the present chairman C. E. Sanborn be added to the committee

Voted — That the day, for the occurrence of the Weekly Practice Shoot be changed to Friday of every alternate week, commencing Apr 28 on following alternate weeks, to take place as before on Saturdays,

Voted, That the matter of admission, as a member, of J. W. Long, be taken from the table.

Voted — That a previous vote, rejecting his application be reconsidered — Adjourned.

John B. Osborn
Secy. Pro. Tem.

Boston. May 3. 1876.

A special meeting of the Association was called to take place at rooms of the Massachusetts Anglers Assn. 608 Washington St. on this day May 3rd. at 7.30 P.M. — no quorum.

Robert Williams
Secretary,

May. 6. 1876.

A special meeting of the Association, duly called under the provisions of the By-Laws, was this day held, Salem Wilder, Esq - presiding,.

The reading of the minutes of the last meeting having been waived, the following business was transacted - the particular subjects considered, having been fully specified in detail, in notice calling the meeting.

Voted 1. To amend By Law No 4 as follows viz: The Board of Directors shall be fifteen in number

Voted. That the proceedings of the Association, relating to the choice of officers at its annual, and adjourned annual meetings be confirmed, ratified, and adopted, and more effectually for that purpose, the Assn proceed to an election of a Board of Directors, a Treasurer, a Clerk or Secretary, upon one ballot —

Ballots were then cast, and the following gentlemen, elected, viz —

Treasurer
Capt. F. R. Shattuck.
31 votes

Secretary.
Robert Williams
31 votes.

Board of Directors

Gen H. B. Sargeant.	31	Dr C. E. Sanborn	24
Gen J. A. Cunningham.	31	Dr I. H. Hazelton	31
Gen M. T. Donohoe.	31	J. L. Stevenson	31
Col W. V. Hutchins.	31	John B. Osborn.	31
Col E. J. Trull.	31	J. T. Eldridge.	26
Capt F. R. Shattuck	31	Chas Wheeler	31
Capt W. H. Jackson.	26	E. M. Messenger.	31.

J. E. Fiske 31.

being the same declared elected at the annual meeting of the Association

Voted. That the proceedings of the Board of Directors at meetings held by them on.

Jan 1st. Relating to copying of By-Laws.
" 4 " to admission of members.
" 7 " to admission of members. to time and place of annual meeting.
" 11 Relating to admission of members.
15 Do. to ad Do Do
22 Do Do Do.
28. Do to recommendation of By-Laws XVIII. XIX; the choice of Hon. Directors, and the refusing of proposals for membership.
Feb 8. Relating to admission of members, and choice of additional Hon. Directors.
15. Relating to admission of members, and election of President.
21. Relating to admission of members.
March 7. Relating to vote for the President. to prepare circular, to send to military organizations
11 Relating to confirming, and rearranging committees, and appointment of executive and Statistical officer.
24. Relating to admission of members; relating to the rifle presented by Sharps' Co. to be shot for as a prize.

Be and the same are hereby confirmed ratified, and adopted by the association

Reading of the minutes, of the meeting of the Association, held Mch 24, called for by Dr Hazelton.

Voted. That we strike out so much of the records of Mch 24, as relates to power of delegates to appoint substitutes to attend National Rifle convention.

Voted. That three substitutes be immediately appointed by the Directors.

Voted. That the proceedings of the Association at its annual, and adjourned annual meetings for the current year; also the proceedings of the Association at meeting held March 24th, confirming acceptance of resignation of Secretary, and appointment of delegates to the Nat. Rifle Convention, confirming vote regarding choice of representatives to Nat. Rifle Convention, and the procuring of a range, - as amended by the two foregoing amendments - be and the same are hereby, confirmed, ratified, and adopted by the Association.

Voted To proceed to the election of two Vice-Presidents on one ballot.

The following gentlemen having received respectively - for

Vice - Presidents.

Gen J. A. Cunningham 20.
Col W. V. Hutchins 20.

were declared elected,

The Secretary took the oath to discharge the duties of his office faithfully.

Adjourned

Robert Williams
Secretary -

Boston. May 20. 1876.

A special meeting of the Association was this day held at 12.45 P.M. – John L. Stevenson – presiding –

Voted – To amend By-Law VII. section VIII. to read as follows.

The Board of Directors shall choose an Executive Committee of five from their number.

It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to inquire into and report all infractions and violations of the rules and regulations of the Association, by any of its members, accompanied by any recommendations that it may deem desirable. It shall also have power to employ and at pleasure remove all employes needed for the current business of the Association except such employes as have already been assigned to the direction of other committees by these By-Laws, and do all acts in and about the management of its affairs, which usually pertain to the duties of an executive committee.

Voted. To confirm ratify and adopt proceedings of the Board of Directors, at meeting held by them April 4th 1876.

Voted That the invitation of the Lawrence Rifle Club to make free use of their Range be accepted, and the Secy is instructed to acknowledge receipt of same.

Voted To adjourn to Saturday, May 27th 12 1/2 P.M. Spy Pond, Arlington

Robert Williams
Secy.

Boston. May 27. 1876.

An adjourned special meeting of the Association to have taken place at Range Buildings. Spy Pond this day at 12 1/2 P.M. no quorum.

Robert Williams
Secty.

Boston June 3. 1876.

A special meeting of the Assn. to hear report of Range Committee on range at E. Woburn was called to take place at Range Buildings Spy Pond this day at 12.30 P.M. no quorum

Robert Williams
Secty.

Boston. Sept 21. 1876.
"Youngs Hotel"

A special meeting of the Assn. to hear report & consider the matter of fitting up the new Range at E. Woburn, was called to take place at 7.30. P.M. this day at Youngs Hotel – no quorum

Robert Williams
Secty.

Boston. Jan 9. 1877.

The Annual meeting of the Assn. was this day held, at Youngs Hotel. at 8. o'clock P.M. Gen. M. T. Donohoe. – presiding.

Messrs Scovell & Rockwell – appointed by the Chairman, as tellers – report thirty members present.

Voted. That the reading of the records of the previous meeting be dispensed with.

Voted. That reports of the Secretary, Treasurer and Statistical Officer. for the year 1876 – be each and severally accepted, and placed on file.

Voted. Unanimously; to amend By-Law XI – sec III to read as follows –
That fifteen members present at a general or special meeting, shall form a quorum

for the transaction of business—

Voted That the chairman appoint a committee of five to nominate officers for the ensuing year—

The chair appoints— Messrs. J H Frost, D. Kirkwood. C. B. Corey. A Hebbard. & W. Poland.

Mr. Corey of the above committee, reports the following gentlemen named, as nominated for offices the ensuing year—

Vice Presidents.
Gen J. A Cunningham.
Mr J. L. Stevenson.

Treasurer,
Capt F R. Shattuck.

Secretary
Mr Robert Williams

Directors.

Mr Salem Wilder	Gen M T Donohoe.
Dr Isaac H Hazelton.	Col E. J. Trull.
Mr J A Lowell	Mr H S Rockwell,
Mr J. L. Stevenson.	" E T Osgood,
Capt W H Jackson,	" Jas Wemyss jr
" F R. Shattuck.	" Robert Williams
Mr J. B. Osborn	" C. A Longfellow
Mr. Albert Hebbard	

Voted. That report of nominating committee be accepted.

Voted. To proceed to an election of two V. Presidents a Treas— a Secretary, and a Bd of Fifteen Directors upon one ballot.

Voted. The Chairman appoints a committee of three to collect, sort and count the ballots.

The Chair. appoints Messrs Lowell. Gerrish & Jackson

The Committee report, the following gentlemen as having received respectively for

Vice Presidents.
Gen. J. A. Cunningham. 27 Votes
Mr J. L. Stevenson 26 "

Secreatary
Mr Robert Williams 21 votes

Treasurer
Capt. F. R. Shattuck. 23 votes

Directors.

✓ Salem Wilder	26	M T Donohoe	27
Isaac Hazelton.	26	J. A Lowell.	26
✓ J. L. Stevenson	26	✓ H S Rockwell.	27
✓ W. H. Jackson.	26	E T Osgood.	27
J. B. Osborn.	26	✓ James Wemyss jr	27
✓ F. R. Shattuck.	25	✓ Robert Williams	26
E. J. Trull.	27	✓ Albert Hebbard	2[illegible]
✓ C. A Longfellow 22			

and they were severally declared elected.

Mr J. L. Stevenson. our newly elected Vice President assumes the chair.

Voted That matter of affiliating with the Nat Rifle Assn for 1877, be referred to the Board of Directors—

Mr Williams, then took the oath to discharge the duties of his office faithfully

Robert Williams
Secty.

I, Robert Williams, do solemnly swear that I will faithfully perform the duties of Clerk of the Massachusetts Rifle Association.

Robert Williams

Suffolk, S.S., Jan 29th 1877
Subscribed and Sworn to before me
John L Stevenson Justice of the Peace

Boston, May 17, 1877

A Special meeting of the association was held at Young's Hotel, at 7.30 P.M. Vice President Stevenson in the chair, and twenty four members present.

H. T. Rockwell was chosen Secretary pro tem.

The Vice President, presents from the Board of Directors a Draft of proposed Amendments to the By-Laws.

Mr Abbott moved to strike out from the By Laws all after the 1st article, and insert the following:—

II. OBJECT.

Its object shall be to promote rifle practice and the improvement of the militia of the State in the use of the rifle, and for this purpose to provide a suitable Range or Ranges in the vicinity of Boston.

III. OFFICERS.

The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, a Secretary, and a Board of fifteen Directors. The officers shall be chosen annually by ballot by the members of the Association, with the exception of the President, who shall be chosen by the Directors from their own number, and shall hold their offices for one year, and until others are chosen in their stead. The Directors shall also choose an executive officer and a statistical officer to hold their office during the pleasure of the Board.

IV. MANAGEMENT.

1. The Board of Directors shall control the affairs of the Association, take cognizance of all infractions of the Charter and By-Laws, and fill vacancies which may occur in the offices of the Association, until the time of the next annual meeting.

2. A quorum of the Board of Directors shall consist of five members.

3. The Board of Directors shall, for their government, from time to time make by-laws, rules and regulations not inconsistent with these By-Laws.

4. The interpretation of the Rules and By-Laws shall rest with the Board of Directors.

5. Any Director may at any time examine the records of the Secretary, or inspect the accounts of the Treasurer.

6. The Board of Directors may, by unanimous vote, from time to time, elect Honorary Directors, not to exceed fifty in number, from those to whom, in their opinion, the Association may be under obligations; such Honorary Directors to hold office for three years. Any person approved by the Directors, who shall pay one hundred dollars into the Treasury shall be elected Honorary Director for life, and shall be provided with a suitable badge at the expense of the Association. Honorary Directors shall be exempt from all dues, and shall be entitled to a voice, but no vote, at the meetings of the Board.

7. The following Standing Committees, each to consist of three members, shall be elected by the Directors during the month of January, in each year, or as soon thereafter as may be:—

1st. Finance Committee.
2d. Range Committee.
3d. Reception Committee.
4th. Membership Committee.

The Directors shall also choose at the same time an Executive Committee of five members.

V. DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

1. The President of the Association, or, in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, shall authorize the call of all meetings of the Board of Directors, and shall call special meetings of the Association at the request of four of the Board of Directors or of ten members of the Association.

2. The Secretary of the Association shall notify each member of the Board of Directors of all its meetings, and each member of the Association of every meeting of the Association; issue all other authorized notices to members; make and keep a true record of all meetings of the Directors and of the Association; have custody of the books and papers and the corporate seal of the Association, and conduct all correspondence.

3. The Treasurer shall collect and have charge of the funds of the Association, and pay such bills as have been approved by the Finance Committee. He shall keep account of his transactions, and make a detailed report thereof, with vouchers annexed, at each regular meeting of the Directors, and an annual report to the Association at its annual meeting. He shall give bonds in such sum as shall be fixed by the Directors.

4. The Finance Committee shall have the general supervision of the finances of the Association. They shall, from time to time, examine the accounts of the Treasurer, and keep themselves informed of the financial condition of the Association. To this Committee shall be referred the Treasurer's reports and all questions and propositions relating to finances; and no obligations of the Association beyond those necessary for current wants shall be made, until the Finance Committee have considered and reported upon the necessity and propriety of the plan proposed.

5. The Range Committee shall have charge of the grounds, and all the property of the Association. They shall recommend to the Board of Directors such changes and improvements as in their judgment are necessary or desirable, and shall supervise such improvements and direct the operations of the men employed. They shall keep the Range supplied by the purchase of all necessary articles for the use of the Range-keeper and the Markers. They shall audit all claims and bills against the Association for supplies used at the Range, and endorse all certificates given under contracts; and no such bills, claims or certificates shall be paid until so audited or endorsed. But this committee shall have no power to make contracts or purchases in the name of the Association, for anything more than the usual supplies, unless the same is authorized and ordered by a formal vote of the Board of Directors. They shall appoint a Range-keeper, Markers, and such other assistants as may be necessary, and direct and regulate their services. They shall require the Range-keeper to make monthly returns of the property in his charge,—which returns shall be examined and endorsed by the committee or its chairman, and presented regularly to the Board of Directors for examination and filing. They shall make such temporary rules and regulations for the use of the grounds and the targets as shall seem necessary. They shall see that contracts for work to be done, and materials to be furnished, and agreements for rents and privileges at the Range, are faithfully executed; and generally do and perform everything needful to protect the interests of the Association and secure a successful management of the Range.

6. The Executive Committee shall inquire into and report upon all infractions of the rules and regulations of the Association by any of its members, and recommend such action thereon as they deem expedient. They shall also perform any other duties which may be delegated to them by the Directors.

VI. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

1. The stated meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month. Special meetings may be called at any time by the President, or, in his absence, by one of the Vice-Presidents, and shall be called by either of them upon the request of three members; but no special meeting shall be held except upon a previous notice of at least twenty-four hours to each member.

2. All special committees for any purpose shall be appointed by the presiding officer, unless otherwise ordered.

3. Any member of the Board who shall, in its opinion, conduct himself in a manner prejudicial to the interests of the Association, may be removed from the Board of Directors at any stated meeting, provided the member accused shall have, at least ten days previously, been personally notified, in writing, of the charges against him, and a hearing given him thereon at a stated meeting therein specified. But such removal can only be effected by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of all the members of the Board.

4. Neglect on the part of any Director to attend six successive meetings of the Board shall be deemed a tender of his resignation of his office. But the Board may excuse any member for such neglect, and, before his resignation is accepted, under this By-Law, the member in default must be specially notified of the same.

VII. MEMBERSHIP.

Any person giving his name, age, address, and the name of any military organization — if any — with which he is or may have been connected, shall, upon paying the sum of ten dollars, become a member of the Association, subject to the right of the Board of Directors to reject his name, and return his dues, in case they shall deem it required by the interests of the Association.

VIII. RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF MEMBERS.

1. All members of the Association shall be entitled to equal rights and privileges.

2. All members, including Honorary members, shall subscribe to the By-Laws.

3. The annual dues shall be three dollars, payable in advance on the first day of January in each year, and if the dues of any member shall remain unpaid for three months thereafter, said membership shall be void.

4. Any member can become a member for life by the payment, in one sum, of twenty-five dollars, and shall thereafter be exempt from all dues and asssesments.

5. Any member, regiment, or company, who shall neglect to pay any indebtedness to the Association on demand, shall forfeit his or their membership in the Association, and cannot be reinstated in such membership, except by vote of the Board of Directors, and payment of all arrears.

6. No member shall be allowed to transfer his rights of membership.

7. Any member whose conduct shall be pronounced, by vote of the Board of Directors, as endangering, or likely to endanger, the welfare, interest or character of the Association, shall forfeit his membership. Such vote shall not be taken without giving two weeks' notice to the offender of the charges made against him, and affording him an opportunity of being heard in his defence.

8. Any member having complaints or suggestions to make, as to the management of the Association, must do so, in writing, to the Directors.

9. No member shall take any property whatever, belonging to the Association, from its rooms or grounds, except on the authority of a resolution of the Directors.

10. Any member wishing to resign shall make his resignation, in writing, to the Secretary.

11. All rights and interests of a member in the property and privileges of the Association shall cease with the termination of his membership.

IX. MEETINGS.

1. The members of the Association shall hold an annual meeting on the second Tuesday of January in each year, and such special meetings as may be called pursuant to these By-Laws. If the annual meeting shall not take place at the time fixed, it shall be held as soon after as convenient, and the officers and Directors whose term of office has expired shall hold over until their successors are appointed.

2. Fifteen members present at a general or special meeting shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.

3. At no meeting of the Association shall any subject be introduced or discussed which does not relate directly to its affairs.

X. THE SCORES.

1. The scores made by the members shall be recorded in such manner as the Board of Directors shall, from time to time, prescribe. In case of a challenge given to, or received from, other marksmen, the result of each latest consecutive practice of each member shall be averaged, and the representatives of the Association be selected by the Directors in the order of merit according to the latest averages.

2. Payment of the annual subscription is necessary to entitle a member to the use of the Range. Non-members may be permitted to use it under such restrictions and on payment of such amount as may be fixed by the Board of Directors. The Range shall be free to members on such days as may be fixed by the Board; on other days, each shooting party must pay for the markers' services.

3. No betting shall be allowed on the grounds of the Association.

XI.

All regular members, in good standing, of military organizations, associations, regiments, battalions and companies, may be admitted to the same privileges at the Range as regular members of the Association, by the payment of such fees as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors.

XII. AMENDMENT OF THE BY-LAWS.

Any proposition to amend these By-Laws shall be submitted in writing, with the signatures of the persons proposing the same, to the Board of Directors; the Board shall consider it at their next meeting, and submit it to the Association at its next meeting, notice being given to all members of the purport of the proposition. A two-thirds vote of all members present shall then be required for the adoption of the proposed amendment.

The motion was agreed to, and the By Laws as amended were agreed to, two thirds of those present voting in the affirmative.

Adjourned. H. T. Rockwell Sec. pro tem

Boston January 8th 1878

The Annual Meeting of the Association was held this day at Youngs Hotel at eight o'Clock. John L. Stevenson in the Chair Twenty-two members present—

Voted that the reading of the records of the last meeting be omitted

Report of the Treasurer was read and accepted

Report of the Secretary was read and accepted

Report of the Statistical Officer was read and accepted

Report of the Range Committee was read and accepted

Voted that a Committee of three be appointed to bring in the names for two Vice Presidents Treasurer. Secretary, and twenty Directors.

The President appointed J. Wemyss Jr Wm Poland and Albert Hobbard

Voted that the suggestions of the Treasurer be referred to the next board of Directors

The Committee presented the names of Nathaniel Wales and James E Shepard for Vice Presidents. Salem Wilder for Treasurer. Horace J Rockwell for Secretary and Salem Wilder J L Stevenson H J Rockwell Albert Hobbard Wm Poland James Wemyss Jr Wm Gurish J B. Osborn F R Shattuck W H Jackson L L Hubbard J A Lowell E B Louther C A Longfellow H. B, Sargent Jr J N Fryc C. H, Felton D Kirkwood C P Ro[illegible] and J Borden for Directors

The Association proceeded to ballot for Vice Presidents Whole number of votes cast twenty-one Nathaniel Wales and James E. Shepard were unanimously elected

The Vote for Treasurer was unanimous for Salem Wilder Twenty Votes Cast

The Vote for Secretary was unanimous for Horace J. Rockwell Twenty Votes Cast

The Vote for Directors was as follows Viz

Salem Wilder	20	L L Hubbard	17
John L Stevenson	20	E B Louther	18
H J Rockwell	20	C A Longfellow	14
Albert Hobbard	20	H B Sargent Jr	14
Wm Poland	19	J N Frye	17
James Wemyss Jr	19	J B Osborn	13
Wm Gurish	19	C H, Felton	6
F R, Shattuck	18	D. Kirkwood	6
W H Jackson	16	C P Roberts	5
J A Lowell	16	J Borden	2

And Capt: F. R. Shattuck was authorized to cast the vote for the first fifteen Gentlemen and they were declared elected

The Meeting adjourned at ten o'Clock

W. H. Jackson
Secretary of the Meeting

Boston, January 14, 1879.

The annual meeting of the Massachusetts Rifle Association was held this day at 8 o'clock P.M., at Young's Hotel. Vice President Wales in the chair, and thirty six members present.

The records of the last meeting were read, and the following correction noted:- The words "The vote for Directors was as follows" should read: "A marking list for the expression of preferences for Directors was opened with the following result". The records were then approved.

On motion of Mr. W.H. Jackson, a Committee consisting of Messrs Jackson, Kirkwood, Lowell, Sargent and Spofford, was appointed to nominate candidates for Vice Presidents, Treasurer and Secretary, and twenty candidates for Directors.

The reports of the Secretary, Treasurer, Statistical Officer and Range Committee, were severally presented and accepted.

The Committee to nominate candidates for officers reported the following list:-

For Vice President — Nathaniel Wales
A.H. Hardy.
" Treasurer A.H. Hardy
" Secretary H.T. Rockwell.
" Directors—

J. N. Frye	Nathaniel Wales
A.H. Hardy	Salem Wilder
H.T. Rockwell	Wm Gerrish
E. B. Souther	W.H. Jackson
F. R. Shattuck	D. Kirkwood
L. L. Hubbard	J. A. Lowell
Wm Poland	J. B. Osborn
J. L. Stevenson	J. F. Brown
E. C. Spofford	James Wemyss Jr

N.W. Arnold A. Hubbard.

The report was accepted.

Voted, to proceed to ballot and Messrs Guerrier, Hubbard and Wilder were appointed a committee to collect and count the ballots. They reported the following result:-

For Vice President —	Nath'l Wales	34
	A.H. Hardy	26
	J. E. Shepard	3
	S. Wilder	1
	J.S. Sumner	1
For Treasurer	A.H. Hardy	35
	J. B. Osborn	2
For Secretary	H.T. Rockwell	36
	N.W. Harding	1
For Directors	S. Wilder	33
	H.T. Rockwell	33
	Wm Poland	33
	L. L. Hubbard	32
	J. N. Frye	32
	Wm Gerrish	32
	E. B. Souther	31
	F. R. Shattuck	30
	J. A. Lowell	30
	D. Kirkwood	24
	A.H. Hardy	22
	J. Wemyss Jr.	22
	W.H. Jackson	21
	Nath'l Wales	21
	Albert Hubbard	19
	J. B. Osborn	18
	J. F. Brown	17
	J. L. Stevenson	13
	E. C. Spofford	10
	N.W. Arnold	8
	N.W. Harding	1
	J.S. Sumner	1
	W.E. Guerrier	1
	C.C. Wemyss	1
	H.S. Harris	1

And Messrs N. Wales & A.H. Hardy were declared elected as Vice Presidents; A.H. Hardy as Treasurer; H.T. Rockwell as Secretary; and the first

fifteen gentlemen named in the report of the ballot for Directors, were declared elected as Directors.

Mr. Hubbard from the Committee appointed by the Directors Dec. 31 to examine the question of a change of charter of the Association, and report what is necessary to enable the Asso. to hold real estate, reported that for reasons enumerated it would be unadvisable to apply for any change of charter looking to the establishment of a joint stock corporation: & furthermore that under Chapter 375 of the Acts of 1874 the Association now has power to hold real estate.

The report was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Hubbard it was

Voted, That the subject of buying the land now leased by the Association, of the Boston & Lowell Railroad, and such adjoining land as may be deemed advantageous and necessary for facilitating rifle practice be referred to the incoming Board of Directors with full power to purchase the same, either by instalments, or otherwise as they may deem for the best interests of the Association.

Mr. Hubbard moved that the Directors badge be shot for once in each year by the Directors and become the property of the person winning it three times not necessarily consecutively; the scores heretofore made to be considered a part of the record under this vote. The motion was rejected.

Mr. Mortimer moved that no entry fee be required in the Directors Match. Rejected.

Mr. Jackson moved that all the Directors be required to enter in the match for the Directors badge.

The Chair (Mr. Stevenson — Col. Wales having retired) ruled the motion out of order. Adjourned H. T. Rockwell Secretary

Boston, January 13. 1880.

Pursuant to notice, the annual meeting of the Association was held this day, at No. 608 Washington Street, at 7 o'clock P.M., the President James N. Frye, in the chair. Present Twenty six Members.

The records of the last annual meeting were read and approved.

On motion of Mr. Guerrier, a committee consisting of Messrs Guerrier, Hubbard and Hinman, was appointed to nominate candidates for Vice Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary and Directors.

The committee recommended the following list: For Vice Presidents Nathaniel Wales
A. H. Hardy
For Treasurer A. H. Hardy
For Secretary H. T. Rockwell.
For Directors James N. Frye, Salem Wilder, A. H. Hardy, Fred R. Shattuck, Wm H. Jackson, H. T. Rockwell, Wm Poland, J. N. Brown, Wm Gerrish, E. B. Souther, L. L. Hubbard, N. W. Arnold, T. H. Gray, H. S. Harris, E. W. Law, John L. Stevenson, John B. Osborn, Charles W. Hinman, C. R. Griffing, J. S. Sumner, Wm E. Guerrier.

A ballot was ordered, and resulted as follows:

For Vice Presidents,	Nat. Wales	24
	A. H. Hardy	24
" Treasurer	A. H. Hardy	23
" Secretary	H. T. Rockwell	24
" Directors,	Jas N. Frye	24
	Salem Wilder	24
	H. T. Rockwell	24
	J. N. Brown	25
	N. W. Arnold	25
	Wm Gerrish	23
	L. L. Hubbard	23
	E. B. Souther	22
	Wm H. Jackson	20
	C. W. Hinman	20
	John B. Osborn	21
	A. H. Hardy	21

Wilson Poland 18
J.L. Sumner 18
Thos. R. Shattuck 17
E.W. Law 16
F.H. Gray 14
W.E. Garrick 14
H.L. Harris 10
C.R. Griffing 8
J.L. Stevenson 5.

and the candidates named for Vice Presidents, Treasurer and Secretary, together with the fifteen first named for Directors, were declared elected.

The report of A.H. Stacy, Treasurer was received, and showed — amt. of receipts $5194.63; outlays $5064.14, leaving a cash balance of $130.49 on hand, besides $200. in bonds. Accepted, after Mr. Wilder, for the Finance Committee, had stated that the accounts had been audited and found correct.

The President, in behalf of the Directors of 1879, reported that they had acted on the authority given them, and had completed the purchase of the range for the sum of $1800.00, the payment of which sum was included in the Treasurer's statement. The report was accepted, and on motion of Mr. Jackson, it was

Voted, That the thanks of the Association be tendered to the President for his arduous labors in effecting the purchase of the range, and otherwise in behalf of the association.

The reports of the Secretary, Statistical Officer & Range Committee were severally presented, accepted, & ordered to be placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Shattuck it was voted, that notice be sent to the Guarantors of the Lease of the Range that they are no longer liable thereon.

On motion of Mr. Rockwell, it was

Voted, That the Board of Directors be authorized to make any additional purchase of land, which they may deem desirable for the purposes of the range, providing the cost thereof do not exceed $500.00, and that no debt be incurred thereby.

Adjourned
H.T. Rockwell
Secretary.

Boston, January 11. 1881.

Pursuant to notice the annual meeting of the Association was held this day at 608 Washington Street, at seven o'clock P.M., President Frye in the chair, and thirty five members present.

The records of the last annual meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Treasurer, showing receipts of $2454.61, expenses of $2592.76, and a balance of cash on hand of $17.84, was read, and upon statement of the President that the same had been audited & found correct, was accepted.

The reports of the Secretary, Statistical Officer and Range Committee were severally received and accepted.

On motion of Mr. Kirkwood, that gentleman, with Messrs Wilder, Richardson, Hubbard and Gould, were appointed a committee to nominate a list of officers for the current year.

They reported the following list

For Vice Presidents, A. H. Hardy
Salem Wilder

For Treasurer, J. N. Frye

" Secretary H. T. Rockwell

" Directors, Messrs Gray, Harris, Hinman, Rabbeth, R.D. Archer, Brown, J.P., Gould, Hubbard, Fellows, Souther, Gerrish, Blood, Morse, Rockwell, Richardson, Belcher, O.P., Jackson, Griffing, Wilder and Frye. Mr. Jackson declined to serve, and the committee substituted the name of G. W. Bullard.

Messrs Winship, Hinman and Gerrish were appointed a committee to collect and count the ballots, and they reported the following as the result:

Whole number of ballots		30
Necessary for a choice		16
For Vice Pres.ts	A. H. Hardy	21
	S. Wilder	22

*For Treasurer	J. N. Frye	23
" Secretary	H. T. Rockwell	22
"	J. P. Brown	1
" Directors	J. P. Brown	30.
"	Wm Gerrish	29.
	E. B. Souther	28.
	H. T. Rockwell	27.
	A. C. Gould	27.
	H. J. Harris	26.
	C. W. Hinman	26.
	F. J. Rabbeth	26.
	L. L. Hubbard	26.
	J. N. Frye	26.
	S. Wilder	25.
	R. D. Archer	23.
	E. F. Richardson	23.
	J. B. Fellows	20.
	J. H. Gray	18.
	C. R. Griffing	13.
	Robt. Blood	12.
	F. A. Brown	12.
	O. P. Belcher	10.
	C. R. Morse	9.
	F. R. Shattuck	3.
	G. W. Bullard	3.
	W. E. Guerin	1.
	J. J. Sumner	1.

and the persons named as having a majority of votes were declared elected.

On motion of Mr. Rockwell it was

Voted, That the Directors be requested to reinstate all ~~such~~ members who are now in arrears and who may pay the amount previous to April 1, in cases where they deem it expedient and equitable.

On motion of Col. Wales it was

Voted, That the Treasurer be directed to send printed bills of dues to the members, and to employ a collector in all cases where it seems expedient.

* Mr. Hardy declined a re-election.

On motion of Mr. Jackson it was voted, That Mr. James N. Frye be elected an Honorary Life Director, in recognition of his great services to the Association; waiving the fee required by the By Laws.

On motion of Mr. Jackson
Voted that the Directors consider the expediency of amending the by-laws so as to provide for electing the Directors for different periods of time, one-third to retire each year.

On motion of Mr. Shattuck it was
Voted, That it is our present opinion that it is not expedient to affiliate with the National Rifle Association, so-called, for the year 1881.

Voted, That the thanks of the Association be tendered to Mr. Hardy, our retiring Treasurer, for his valuable services.

Adjourned
H. T. Rockwell
Secretary

Boston January 10. 1882.

The Annual Meeting of the Association was held this day, at 608 Washington Street, at 7.30 P.M., President Hubbard in the chair and 35 members present.

The records of the last annual meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Treasurer, showing receipts for the year, including balances, to be $2460.82; and expenses $1.887.00; & balance on hand $573.82, — was received, accepted and placed on file.

The reports of the Statistical Officer and Range Committee were received, accepted and placed on file

Mr. Frye, for the Finance Committee, reported that the Accounts of the Treasurer and Statistical officer had been examined and found correct.

On motion of Mr. Guerrier a committee consisting of Messrs Gould, Guerrier, Winslow, Jackson and Frye, was appointed to bring in a list of names for candidates for offices for 1882, being instructed to report 25 names for Directors

The Committee reported the names as follows:-

For Vice Presidents, Salem Wilder.
Geo. P. Ellsworth
" Secretary H. T. Rockwell
" Treasurer J. B. Fellows
" Directors, Messrs Hubbard, Gould, Rabbeth, Fellows, Rockwell, J. F. Brown, Hinman, Richardson, R. D. Archer, ~~A~~ W. Law, J. N. Frye, Leach, Bixby, F. N. Brown, Osborn, Bond, Sias, Winslow, Hartshorn, King, Guerrier, J. T. R. Schaefer, Borden, Foye, and Griffing.

It was Voted to proceed to ballot,

and Messrs Guerrin, Osborn and R. D. Archer were appointed a committee to collect and count the votes.

They reported the following result:-

Whole number of legal ballots (five being thrown out for having too many names on) — 29.
Necessary to a choice 15.

For Vice Presidents:

	Salem Wilder	29
	G. H. Ellsworth	29
For Secretary	H. T. Rockwell	29
" Treasurer	J. B. Fellows	29
" Directors		
	L. L. Hubbard	28
	A. C. Gould	28
	H. T. Rockwell	29
	F. J. Rabbeth	26
	J. B. Fellows	25
	C. W. Hinman	25
	J. F. Brown	23
	E. F. Richardson	22
	G. L. Wristlif	22
	H. G. Bixby	21
	R. D. Archer	22
	J. B. Osborn	17
	W. W. Sias	17
	E. A. Bond	17
	J. N. Frye	16
	E. W. Law	13
	F. A. Brown	13
	Jos. E. Leach	11
	G. E. King	10
	W. E. Guerrin	10
	Jno Borden	11
	S. S. Harlston Jr.	9
	C. R. Griffing	9
	C. J. Forye	8
	J. F. R. Schafer	6.
	H. S. Harris	1

and the officers named for Vice Presidents, Treasurer and Secretary, and the fifteen first named for Directors were elected.

Mr. Frye declined to serve as a Director, and on motion of Mr. Wristlif, the Secretary, by unanimous consent deposited a ballot for E. W. Law, for Director to fill the vacancy.

The President presented the following proposed amendments to the By-Laws and Shooting Rules, the same having been duly presented to the Board of Directors:-

To amend the By-Laws and Shooting Rules so that they shall read as follows:-

THE

Massachusetts Rifle Association.

BY-LAWS.

I. NAME AND OBJECT.

This Association shall be called THE MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION. Its object shall be to promote rifle practice in Massachusetts.

II. OFFICERS.

The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, a Secretary, and a Board of fifteen Directors. The officers shall be chosen annually by ballot by the members of the Association, with the exception of the President, who shall be chosen by the Directors from their own number, and shall hold their offices for one year, and until others are chosen in their stead. The Directors shall also choose a counsellor, executive officers, and statistical officers, to hold their offices during the pleasure of the Board.

III. MANAGEMENT.

1. The Board of Directors shall control the affairs of the Association, take cognizance of all infractions of the Charter and By-Laws, and fill vacancies which may occur in the offices of the Association, until the time of the next annual meeting.

2. A quorum of the Board of Directors shall consist of five members.

3. The Board of Directors shall, for their government, from time to time, make by-laws, rules and regulations, and shooting-rules for the government of the Association, not inconsistent with these By-Laws.

4. The interpretation of the Rules and By-Laws shall rest with the Board of Directors.

5. Any Director may at any time examine the records of the Secretary, or inspect the accounts of the Treasurer.

6. The following Standing Committees, each to consist of three members, shall be elected by the Directors, during the month of January, in each year, or as soon thereafter as may be:—

Finance Committee, Range Committee, Membership Committee, Prize Committee, Team Match Committee, and Glass Ball Committee.

The Directors shall also choose at the same time four members, who with the President shall constitute an Executive Committee.

IV. DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

1. The President of the Association, or, in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, shall authorize the call of all meetings of the Board of Directors, and shall call special meetings of the Association at the request of four of the Board of Directors or of ten members of the Association. He shall have the right, *ex-officio*, to be present at meetings of the committees.

2. The Secretary of the Association shall notify each member of the Board of Directors of all its meetings, and each member of the Association of every meeting of the Association; issue all other authorized notices to members; post on the Range a copy of all new rules made by the Directors; make and keep a true record of all meetings of the Directors and of the Association; have custody of the books and papers and the corporate seal of the Association, and conduct all correspondence.

3. The Treasurer shall collect and have charge of the funds of the Association, and pay such bills as shall have been approved by the Finance Committee. He shall keep account of his transactions, and make a detailed report thereof, with vouchers annexed, when required by the Directors, and an annual report to the Association at its annual meeting. He shall give bonds in such sum as shall be fixed by the Directors.

4. The Statistical Officer shall keep a record of the statistics of the Association, and account and pay over to the Treasurer, weekly, all moneys received by him, less his disbursements in the various matches of the Association, with schedules giving an itemized account of the same, and shall be accountable to the Treasurer for all score-cards and other tickets received by him for the use of the Association. He shall direct the services of the clerical employés at the meetings for competition.

5. The Finance Committee shall have the general supervision of the finances of the Association. They shall, from time to time, examine the accounts of the Treasurer, and Statistical Officer, and recommend such methods in keeping the same as may seem for the interest of the Association. No obligations of the Association beyond those necessary for current wants shall be made, until the Finance Committee shall have considered and reported upon the necessity and propriety of the plan proposed.

6. The Range Committee shall have charge of the Range, and all the property of the Association connected therewith. They shall keep the Range supplied by the purchase of all necessary articles for the use of the Range-keeper and the Markers. They shall audit all claims and bills against the Association for labor on and supplies used at the Range. But this committee shall have no power to make contracts or purchases in the name of the Association, for anything more than the usual supplies, unless authorized by a formal vote of the Board of Directors. They shall appoint a Range-keeper, Markers, and such other assistants as may be necessary, and direct their services. They shall require the Range-keeper to make returns of the property in his charge,—which returns shall be examined and endorsed by the committee or its chairman, and presented to the Board of Directors. They shall make such temporary rules and regulations for the use of the grounds and the targets as shall seem necessary. They shall generally do and perform everything needful to protect the interests of the Association and secure a successful management of the Range.

7. The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Association, not inconsistent with the powers and duties of other officers and committees as set forth, and shall report their action to the Directors for approval. They shall inquire into and report upon all infractions of the rules and regulations of the Association by any of its members, and recommend action thereon.

V. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. The stated meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month. Special meetings may be called at any time by the President, or, in his absence, by one of the Vice-Presidents, and shall be called by either of them upon the request of three members.

2. All special committees for any purpose shall be appointed by the presiding officer, unless otherwise ordered.

3. Any member of the Board, who shall, in its opinion, conduct himself in a manner prejudicial to the interests of the Association, may be removed from the Board of Directors, by a two-thirds vote of all the members of the Board, at any stated meeting, provided the member accused shall have, at least ten days previously, been personally notified, in writing, of the charges against him, and a hearing given him thereon at a stated meeting therein specified.

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RULES

GOVERNING COMPETITIONS

I. MANAGEMENT.

1. All meetings for competitions will be conducted by an Executive Officer, aided by a Statistical Officer and Assistants.

2. The Executive Officer shall have control of the Range for the conduct of matches, and shall give such directions to the employés of the Association as in his judgment are necessary for the proper management of the same, and for the preservation of order.

3. The Executive Officer and his assistants are required to see that the regulations, and such directions as the Executive Officer may give, are rigidly complied with by competitors and all other persons upon the Range.

4. They will see that the squads of competitors are stationed in rear of firing-points, and that each competitor remains there until called by the score-keeper to take his position at the firing-point. The score-keepers will be seated in rear of the firing-points.

6. Score-keepers shall, as each shot is signalled, call in a loud voice the name of the competitor and the value of the shot, and at the conclusion of the score of each competitor announce in like manner his name and total score.

7. All competitors shall be allowed to examine the records of the score-keeper during the progress of the match, but in such a manner as not to interfere with or inconvenience the score-keeper.

8. Any competitor feeling himself aggrieved by the ruling of the Executive Officer or of the Statistical Officer may make the Secretary a statement of his grievance in writing, which shall be handed at once to the Executive Committee for its consideration. The decision of the Executive Committee shall be final, subject, however, to the discretion of said committee, or any two members of it, to refer the matter to the Board of Directors for its decision.

II. RIFLES.

The rifles allowed to be used must comply with the following conditions, viz.:—

1. *Military Rifles* of *bona fide* pattern, minimum pull of trigger six pounds, sights in accordance with regulation pattern.

2. *Any Rifle.* Maximum weight ten pounds, minimum pull of trigger three pounds, sights of any description except telescope, magnifying, and such front aperture sights as cover the target so as to conceal the danger signal when displayed.

3. Competitors shall submit their rifles for inspection whenever required.

4. Muzzle-loading rifles may be used, and breech-loaders may be loaded at the muzzle, but under such special restrictions as may be imposed by the Executive Officer for the time being.

III. TARGETS.

The targets, commonly known as Creedmoor targets, shall be divided into three classes, as follows:—

1. *First Class*, to be used at all distances over 600 yards. Target, 6 × 12 feet.
   Bull's-eye, circular, 36 inches in diameter.
   Centre " 54 " "
   Inner, square, 6 feet × 6 feet.
   Outer " 6 feet × 12 feet.

2. *Second Class*, to be used at all distances over 300 to and including 600 yards. Target, 6 × 6 feet.
   Bull's-eye, circular, 22 inches in diameter.
   Centre " 38 " "
   Inner " 54 " "
   Outer, the remainder of the target.

3. *Third Class*, to be used up to and including 300 yards. Target, 4 × 6 feet.
   Bull's-eye, circular, 8 inches in diameter.
   Centre " 26 " "
   Inner " 46 " "
   Outer, square, 4 × 6 feet.

The following described targets are recognized, and may be used on any occasion ordered by the Directors:—

4. *Fourth Class*, Massachusetts target for shooting up to and including 300 yards. Target, 4 × 4 feet.

Count 12.	Bull's-eye, circular,	4 in.	diam.	Creedmoor Bull's-eye.
" 11.	" "	8 "	"	
" 10.	"	12½ "	"	Centre.
" 9.	"	17 "	"	
" 8.	"	21½ "	"	
" 7.	"	26 "	"	
Count 6.	circular,	31 in.	diam.	Inner.
" 5.	"	36 "	"	
" 4.	"	41 "	"	
" 3.	"	46 "	"	
" 2.	square, 4 feet × 4 feet.			Outer.

5. *Fifth Class.* "Ring Target." 2 × 2 feet.

Count 12.	Bull's-eye, circular,	2 inches	diam.
" 11.	" "	4 "	"
" 10.	" "	6 "	"
" 9.	" "	8 "	"
" 8.	"	10 "	"
" 7.	"	12 "	"
" 6.	"	14 "	"
" 5.	"	16 "	"
" 4.	"	18 "	"
" 3.	"	20 "	"
" 2.	"	22 "	"
" 1.	"	24 "	"

6. *Sixth Class.* "Walnut-Hill Target."
For shooting up to and including 300 yards. Target, 4 × 4 feet.

Count 10.	Bull's-eye, circular,	4 inches	diam.
" 9.	" "	8 "	"
" 8.	"	12½ "	"
" 7.	"	17 "	"
" 6.	"	21½ "	"
" 5.	"	26 "	"
" 4.	"	31 "	"
" 3.	"	36 "	"
" 2.	"	42 "	"
" 1.	"	48 "	"

IV. MARKING, SCORING, AND SIGNALLING.

1. On Creedmoor target. Bull's-eye counts 5; signal, white circular disc. Centre counts 4; signal, red circular disc. Inner counts 3; signal, white and black disc. Outer counts 2; signal, black disc. Ricochet counts R; signal, red flag waved twice, right and left, in front of the target. Ricochet hits will be marked out after the flag-signal. Shots on the wrong target, if not scored, will be marked $.

The carton (count 6) on first-class target is 22 inches; on second-class target 11 inches.

2. When a shot strikes any part of a target, outside of the boundary of the "Outer," a square red disc will be raised and lowered in front of the bull's-eye twice. Such shot is termed an "Angle-iron," and will be marked A.

3. Challenges will only be permitted at the discretion of the Executive Officer, and the challenging party must deposit fifty cents, to be forfeited in case the challenge proves unfounded. The Executive Officer may, in his discretion, challenge the marking of any shot, the allowance of which would be unjust to other competitors, and correct the score accordingly.

4. Any objection to the scoring of a shot as signalled, or to one not signalled, must be made before another shot shall have been fired on the same target.

5. Scorers will, in cases where two discs of differing value are shown for one shot, record the value of the one first shown; but it shall be the right of the shooter to challenge the scoring (without being required to deposit), and the Executive Officer may decide upon the evidence the actual value of the shot. Where two shots strike the target simultaneously, the shooter shall have scored to him the shot of the higher value.

6. Any alteration of a scoring ticket must be witnessed by an officer in charge of the firing-point, and endorsed with his initials.

7. Double entries are prohibited, no shot being allowed to count in more than one match.

8. No sighting shots shall be allowed except on targets specially designated for that purpose by the Executive Officer, and in no case on targets on which a match is in progress, unless in an emergency, to be decided by the Executive Officer.

9. Unfinished scores shall be considered worthless after having been withdrawn from the scorer, and no shots can be claimed under or by virtue of the same after having been so withdrawn.

V. POSITION.

1. In all matches the position up to and including three hundred yards shall be standing. The left elbow may be rested against the body, provided the little finger of the left hand (or right hand of a left-handed shooter) is in front of the trigger-guard.

2. At distances above three hundred yards, any position may be taken without artificial rests to the rifle or body.

VI. TIES.

Ties shall be decided as follows, viz.:—

A. At more than one distance, whether by individuals or teams:—

1. By the score at the longest distance.
2. By the score at next longest distance.
3. By the fewest misses.
4. By the fewest outers.
5. By the fewest inners.
6. By the fewest centres.
7. By the inverse order of shots, from last to first, as actually fired.
8. In individual shooting, by firing single shots at the longest distance; in team shooting, by firing one shot by each man at the longest distance.

B. At one distance, whether by individuals or teams:—

1. By the fewest misses, outers, etc., as per foregoing rule A, 3 to 7 inclusive.
2. In individual shooting, by firing three shots, the merit of which shall be decided by the above rule; if still a tie, by single shots.
3. In team shooting, by firing one shot by each man of the team, repeated until a team wins upon the aggregate of the same.

C. At one or more distances, individual shooting, where two or more scores are required to win:—

1. By foregoing rules A, 3 to 7 inclusive.
2. By inverse order of shots, treating the scores, in the order in which they are made, as one continuous score.
3. By shooting as per Rule B, 2.

Competitors who have to shoot off ties will be notified as soon after each match as practicable. When the ties are shot off, one sighting shot shall be allowed without charge. Competitors not present at the firing-points at the hour named for shooting off the ties, lose their right to shoot, and will be placed accordingly.

VII. GENERAL RULES.

1. Temporary Discontinuance of Matches, on account of bad weather, and the closing limit for receiving entries, shall be at the discretion of the Executive Officer.

2. An entry ticket, except when sold in block, may be transferred at any reasonable time, by presenting it to the Statistical Officer for exchange. Any erasure or substitution of name by the holder will forfeit the ticket.

3. In single entry matches no entry shall be made after the firing begins, if any participant objects.

4. Prizes will be delivered on the Range at the close of the meeting, or as soon thereafter as practicable, under the direction of the Executive Officer.

5. Bull's-eye certificates not presented within thirty days, and prizes not claimed within three months, after having been won, shall be forfeited to the Association.

VIII. PENALTIES.

1. Competitors must make themselves acquainted with the regulations, as the plea of ignorance will not be entertained.

2. At short range, competitors using an "alias" must adhere to that name, for the time being, for purposes of publication. At long range, competitors using an "alias" must adhere to the name for the time being, and, whether using an "alias" or their own name, must submit their scores for publication, unless notice be given to the contrary before beginning the score at the last distance.

3. A competitor failing to report at the time and target to which he is assigned, or shooting at pool or practice after the hour set for the simultaneous opening of a match, shall forfeit his entry. (The last clause will not prevent pool-shooting between scores in reëntry matches.)

Any member shooting at pool or practice between shots of a score shall forfeit the score.

4. All competitors and other persons mu[illegible] preserve order and decorum, submit to the directions [illegible] decisions of the Executive Officer, and make all objections and protests, if any, to the proper officials, in a manner which will not disturb others.

5. Rifles may be discharged only in firing at the target in pools or matches, when the danger-flag is not exposed, or into such warming pits as may be designated (in that case, without bullet), and any competitor or other person discharging a rifle otherwise, or having a loaded shell inserted in his gun while elsewhere than upon the actual firing-point, may be disqualified for the time being, or fined a sum not exceeding three dollars, at the discretion of the Executive Officer.

6. Any violation of rules or discreditable conduct which the Executive Officer may consider of such magnitude as to require it, shall be reported to the Directors for their action.

7. Any competitor firing upon the wrong target shall be fined one dollar, to be paid before he proceeds with his score; and he shall be recorded a miss unless he elects to pay a double fine, in which case he may be credited with the value of the shot not given to the other competitor shooting on same target.

GLASS BALL MATCHES.

All competitions at Glass Balls or Clay Pigeons shall be conducted according to the rules of the Massachusetts State Glass Ball Association.

After a brief discussion the amendments were unanimously agreed to; and it was, on motion of Mr Guerrier,

Voted, that all Shooting rules inconsistent with those now adopted, be repealed.

Adjourned

H. T. Rockwell
Secretary.

Boston, January 9, 1883.

The Association met this day at Young's Hotel, at 7 o'clock P.M., pursuant to call issued by the Secretary, & in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws, for the purpose of electing officers and of transacting any other legal business. Mr L. L. Hubbard, President of the Association occupied the chair, and twenty-three members were present. The Secretary, Mr H. T. Rockwell read the records of the last annual meeting and they were approved.

Mr J. B. Fellows, Treasurer, submitted his Annual Report, – showing receipts (including balance at beginning of year) of $3516.79; and expenditures of $2569.91, leaving a balance on hand of $946.88. He stated that the Finance Committee had examined and certified his accounts as correct, and it was

Voted, to accept the Report subject to the written certification of correctness by the Finance Committee.

The Range Committee and the Statistical Officer submitted reports, which were accepted and placed on file. The former was referred to the incoming Board of Directors.

The President, in behalf of the Directors submitted a list of names as candidates for officers for 1883, and the same was accepted with the addition of the name of Geo. E. King, and Messrs Fellows & Foster were appointed a Committee to collect and count the ballots.

The Association proceeded to ballot with the following result:–

For Vice Presidents, Salem Wilder 22
G. H. Ellsworth 22
For Treasurer J. B. Fellows 21
" Secretary H. T. Rockwell 22
For Directors:

(See next page)

J. B. Fellows	20	57 Haverhill St.
F. J. Rabbeth	20	Hotel Lafayette 415 Columbus av
H. T. Rockwell	20.	39 Arch
C. W. Hinman	19	32 Hawley
H. S. Harris	18	707 Tremont
R. D. Archer	17	70 Commercial
J. F. Brown	17	5 Congress Sq.
G. B. Parker	15	63 Summer
N. Washburn	15	Allston. Mass
Wm Gerrish	14	307 Broadway Chelsea
H. G. Bixby	14	Nashua N. H.
J. P. Bates	13	686 Washington St.
G. W. Bullard	13	Hotel Edinburgh
a H. C. Gored	13	4 Exchange Pl.
E. B. Souther	12	Quincy Mass
Jas. E. Leach	10.	
W. E. Guerrier	9.	
J. B. Osborn	9.	
C. C. Foster	8.	
Geo. E. King	7.	
G. L. Winship	6.	
H. Withington	5.	
E. W. Laid	5.	
C. G. Foye	7.	
W. W. Ives	4.	
J. N. Frye	1.	
Jas. Frye	2.	
L. Saunders	1.	

and Messrs Wilder and Ellsworth were elected Vice Presidents, Mr. Fellows Treasurer, Mr. Rockwell Secretary, and the first fifteen named in the foregoing list, Directors.

Voted, That the Board of Directors be and they hereby are authorized to purchase any land adjoining the Range which they may deem it for the interest of the Association to obtain, at a cost not exceeding Two hundred dollars.

Adjourned
H. T. Rockwell
Secretary.

Boston Jan 8th 1884

The Association met this day at Youngs Hotel at Six P.M. pursuant to the call of the Secretary at Young's Hotel and in accordance with the Constitution and By Laws proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that might come before the meeting.

President H. T. Rockwell called the meeting to order. The Report of the Secretary was read and approved. The Reports of the Treasurer, Statistical Officer and Range Committee were read and accepted.

Mr Jackson moved that the printed ballots be distributed and that the vote for Directors be made from that list. The motion was passed and the Chair appointed Messrs Bullard and Eddy a Committee to distribute and collect the ballots. On motion Messrs Osborn & Guerrier were added to the Committee.

It was voted that the Board of Directors be and are hereby authorized to purchase any land adjoining the Range which they may deem it for the interest of the Association to obtain at a cost not exceeding Three Hundred Dollars.

Mr Bullard reported the vote for Vice Presidents, Treasurer, Secretary and Directors as follows

Vice Presidents	Salem Wilder	36
	E.B. Parker	35
Treasurer	G. R. Russell	36
Secretary	Jas. E. Leach	35

Directors

H. T. Rockwell	36
A.C. Gould	36
J. B. Fellows	35
J. P. Bates	35
C.W. Hinman	33
J.E. Leach	32
N. Washburn	30
R.D. Archer	29
Wm Gerrish	25
H.S. Harris	25
G. W. Bullard	25
G. R. Russell	25
J. A. Frye	24
J.S. Sawyer	21
F. J. Rabbeth	19
F. W. Perkins	18
C. R. Dickey	12
W. H. Jackson	12
C. E. Berry	9
H. A. Lewis	9
Jas Emery Jr.	9
D.F. Eddy	8
A.L. Brackett	3
D. Kirkwood	2
C.C. Foster	2

The report of the Committee was accepted and adopted and Messrs Wilder and Parker were elected Vice Presidents, Mr G. R. Russell Treasurer, J.E. Leach Secretary and the first fifteen in the above list were elected Directors.

Adjourned

James E. Leach
Secretary

Boston January 13th 1885

The Annual Meeting of the M. R. A. for the election of Officers for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that might legally come up was held at the Quincy House at 6 P.M this day

President Rockwell called the meeting to order

The Secretarys report was read and approved

The Treasurers and Statistical Officers Reports were read and accepted.

Mr Hinman reported for Range Committee

Mr J. N. Frye reported for the Glass Ball Committee, and on behalf of Messrs DeRochemont Law, Shaeffer, Lidsbury Lowell and Dickey presented to the Association three elegant badges which had been won by these members of the M. R. A. in contests with other Clubs.

It was voted to accept the badges and instruct the Secretary to send an acknowledgement of the thanks of the Association to the gentlemen for their gift.

On motion of Mr Berry a committee of five were appointed to choose a list of Directors for the ensuing year.

Mr Harris reported on room and the matter was laid on the table,

Mr Hinman moved that the members proceed to vote on one ballot. passed

The Chair appointed Mess Hinman Frye & Sawyer to collect votes and they reported the vote as follows.

For Vice Presidents	Salem Wilder	30 11	
	E.B. Parker	28	
Secretary	Jas. E. Leach	29	
Treasurer	Geo. R. Russell	29	

Directors

	H. T. Rockwell	30.	39 Arch St.
	C. W. Hinman	28	32 Hawley St.
	J. B. Fellows	28	57 Haverhill St.
	J. S. Sawyer	28	559 Main St. Cambridgeport
x	R. D. Archer	26	70 Commercial St.
x	F. W. Perkins	25	63 Summer St.
	O. R. Dickey	23	13 Shirley St. Boston Highlands
	C. E. Berry	23	37 Main St. Charlestown
x	A. F. Adams	22	37 N. Market St.
	J. E. Leach	22	
x	J. A. Frye	24	Harvard College Cambridge
x	N. C. Nash	20	70 Kilby St.
x	J. P. Bates	19	686 Washington St
	F. J. Rabbeth	15	415 Columbus Ave
	G. R. Russell	28	24 Merchants Row.
	L.H. Bateman		85 [illegible]
	H. S. Harris	11	709 [illegible]
	E.W. Law	13	
x	H. A. Lewis	11	
	J. P. Frost	14.	Globe Office
	E.B. Souther	9	Quincy
x	T. G. Statee	7	
x	J.L. Stevenson	7.	N.F. [illegible] 52 Main [illegible] Charlestown
	+ others		
	F. Curtis		Quincy

The report of the Committee on votes was accepted and adopted and Mess. Wilder + Parker were elected Vice Presidents Mr G. R. Russell Treasurer. Mr J. E. Leach Secretary and the first fifteen in the above list were elected Directors.

Adjourned

J. E. Leach Secretary

Boston, January 12th 1886.

The Annual Meeting of the M.R.A. for the election of officers for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that might legally come up was held at the Quincy House at 6 P.M.

Pres. Rockwell called the meeting to order.

The Secretary's report was read and approved.

The Treasurer's and Statistical officers reports were read and accepted.

Mr. Frye's report on Glass Ball Committee was read and accepted.

Mr. Hinman reported for range Committee

The chair appointed Mess. Souther, Archer, J.A. Frye to collect votes for officers & Directors.

Vote as follows:

For Vice-Presidents	Salem Wilder	26
	C.W. Hinman	26
Secretary	J.E. Leach	26.
Treasurer	Geo. R. Russell	26
Directors	H.T. Rockwell	26
	Geo. R. Russell	26
	J.S. Sawyer	26
	J.E. Leach	24
	C.W. Hinman	23
	C.E. Berry	22
	O.R. Dickey	21
	Leroy H. Bateman	20
	F.J. Rabbeth	20
	E.B. Souther	19
	H.S. Harris	17
	Frost, J.P.	17
	E.W. Lovejoy	17
	T. Curtis	16
	N.H. Tufts	16

J.P. Bates	15
W.C. Nash	15
E.J. Wardwell	12
E.F. Richardson	8
S.L. Chase	8
A. Law	5
H.A. Lewis	5
E.S. Gilmore	6
G.W. Bullard	4
N. Washburn	4
W.E. Palmer	1
A.C. White	0

The report of the Committee was accepted and adopted and Mess. Wilder & Hinman were elected Vice Presidents, Mr. Geo. R. Russell, Treasurer, Mr. James E. Leach Secretary and the first fifteen men in the list were elected Directors

Adjourned

J.E. Leach Secy

Boston Jany. 11th 1887

The Annual Meeting of the M. R. A. was held at the Revere House this day at 6.30 P. M. for the election of officers for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that might legally come before the Meeting.

President Rockwell called the Meeting to order.

In absence of Mr. Leach, Mr. J. A. Frye was elected Secy. pro. tem.

Minutes of the last annual Meeting were read and accepted

The Treasurer's (Geo. R. Russell) report was read and accepted

The Statistical officer's (C. E. Berry) report was read and accepted

The reports of Range (Hinman) and Glass Ball (Sawyer) Committees were read and accepted.

The chair appointed Mess. J. W. Frye, E. W. Archer and A. F. Adams as a nominating committee to prepare a list of Names for officers to be balloted for and they reported the following names.

For	Vice-Presidents	Salem Wilder	34
		C. W. Hinman	34
	Secretary	Henry S. Harris	30
	Treasurer	Geo. R. Russell	34
	Directors	H. T. Rockwell	33
		Geo. R. Russell	33
		J. B. Fellows	32
		C. W. Hinman	32
		F. J. Rabbeth	31
		W. C. Nash	30
		Henry S. Harris	29
		N. F. Tufts	29
		J. S. Sawyer	27
		O. R. Dickey	25

W. W. Chase	24
C. C. Foster	20
J. P. Bates	20
J. E. Leach	20
E. J. Wardwell	19
Henry White	18
H. Strater	17
H. A. Lewis	12
W. C. Johnston Jr.	11
W. Washburn	10
J. P. Frost	10
C. E. Berry	9 (not nominated)
A. Law	4
A. C. White	3
E. B. Souther	3
G. W. Bullard	3
E. S. Gilmore	0

The report of nominations was accepted

The Chair appointed Mess. Frost, Dickey and Nash to collect and count ballots for the above named officers. The report of the Committee was accepted and adopted. Mess. Wilder and Hinman were elected Vice-Presidents — Henry S. Harris Secretary — Geo. R. Russell Treasurer and the first fifteen names on the above list were elected Directors

Adjourned

J. A. Frye Secy. pro. tem
for H S Harris

Boston Jany. 10th 1888.

The Annual Meeting of the Massachusetts Rifle Association was held at Youngs Hotel this day at 6 o'clock P.M. for the election of officers for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that might legally come before the meeting.

The Meeting was called to order by President Rockwell.

Records of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's Report was read by Mr. Russell and accepted.

Range Committee's Report was read by Mr. Rabbeth and accepted.

Trap Shooting Committee's Report was read by Mr. Sawyer and accepted.

A hearty vote of thanks was unanimously given to Mr. O. R. Dickey for his gift of the "Macomber Target Badge" to the Association to be held as a permanent trophy.

On Motion of Mr. Hinman the chair appointed a Nominating Committee consisting of Mess. Hinman, Sawyer and Johnston to prepare and bring in a list of names for officers to be balloted for and they reported the following names.

VICE-PRESIDENTS,
31 J. B. FELLOWS.
32 N. C. NASH.

SECRETARY,
32 HENRY S. HARRIS.

TREASURER,
32 GEO. R. RUSSELL.

DIRECTORS.
(Erase names, to leave not more than *fifteen* to be voted for.

0 D. F. BOYDEN.
14 W. L. CHASE.
27 D. L. F. CHASE.
30 O. R. DICKEY.
22 H. W. EAGER.
2 J. A. FRYE. withdrew
28 J. P. FROST.
9 C. C. FOSTER.
31 J. B. FELLOWS.
0 E. S. GILMORE.
2 G. F. HALL.
30 C. W. HINMAN.
32 HENRY S. HARRIS.
13 W. M. MERRILL.
31 N. C. NASH.
9 J. BROOKS PARKER.
29 H. T. ROCKWELL.
30 GEO. R. RUSSELL.
29 F. J. RABBETH.
28 J. S. SAWYER.
6 J. W. SOULE.
31 SALEM WILDER.
5 N. WASHBURN.
7 H. C. WARREN.
18 E. J. WARDWELL.

The chair appointed Mess. Gould, Merrill & Dickey to collect and count ballots, and they reported the following result, which was accepted and the following officers declared elected.

Vice-Presidents	J. B. Fellows	31 votes
	N. C. Nash	32 "
Secretary	Henry S. Harris	32 "
Treasurer	Geo. R. Russell	32 "
Directors	Henry S. Harris	32 "
	Salem Wilder	31 "
	N. C. Nash	31 "
	J. B. Fellows	31 "
	O. R. Dickey	30 "
	C. W. Hinman	30 "
	Geo. R. Russell	30 "
	H. T. Rockwell	29 "
	F. J. Rabbeth	29 "
	J. P. Frost	28 "
	J. S. Sawyer	28 "
	D. L. F. Chase	27 "
	H. W. Eager	22 "
	E. J. Wardwell	18 "
	W. L. Chase	14 "

Adjourned 7.15 P.M.
Henry S Harris Secy.

Boston Jany. 8th 1889

The annual meeting of the Massachusetts Rifle Association was held at Youngs Hotel this day at 6 o'clock P.M. for the election of officers for the ensuing year, and the transaction of any other business that might legally come before the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by President Rockwell.

Records of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Statistical Officer's report was read and accepted.

The Range committee's report was accepted, and the recommendations regarding repainting building and extending the piazza ~~was~~ referred to the next board of directors.

The Trap Shooters Committee's report was read by Mr. J. N. Frye and accepted.

The Treasurer's report was read by Mr. Russell and accepted.

The Finance committee's report was read by Mr. Frost and accepted.

A proposition to erect a club house on the range, was received from some of our members and the matter was referred to the next board of directors with full power.

On motion of Mr. J. N. Frye it was voted that the Finance Committee with the President added be a Committee to invest the surplus ~~funds~~ of the Association.

Voted, that the chair appoint a committee to retire and bring in a list of Officers and Directors, to be voted for, for the ensuing year. Messrs. Berry, Tufts, and Dickey were appointed and reported the printed list as prepared by the directors. as follows.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

J. B. FELLOWS.

N. C. NASH.

SECRETARY.

HENRY S. HARRIS.

TREASURER.

GEO. R. RUSSELL.

DIRECTORS.

(Erase names, to leave not more than fifteen to be voted for.)

C. E. BERRY.	C. W. HINMAN.
W. L. CHASE.	L. L. HUBBARD.
D. L. F. CHASE.	M. KNOWLES.
C. H. DAVIS.	A. LAW.
O. R. DICKEY.	W. M. MERRILL.
H. W. EAGER.	N. C. NASH.
J. A. FRYE.	H. T. ROCKWELL.
J. P. FROST.	GEO. R. RUSSELL.
C. C. FOSTER.	F. J. RABBETH.
J. B. FELLOWS.	J. S. SAWYER.
G. F. HALL.	J. W. SOULE.
H. S. HARRIS.	H. STRATER.

N. WASHBURN.

The Chair appointed the following committee to collect and count ballots Mess. Johnston, Runnels & D. L. Chase.

At 7.30 the committee for counting ballots not being ready to report, it was voted that we adjourn to the banquet hall for dinner and there receive their report.

At 8.30 the Committee reported the result of the balloting and the following Officers and Directors were declared elected.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.

J. B. FELLOWS. 23

N. C. NASH. 25

SECRETARY.

HENRY S. HARRIS. 23

TREASURER.

GEO. R. RUSSELL. 25

For Directors

D. L. F. Chase	26
H. T. Rockwell	26
F. J. Rabbeth	25
N. C. Nash	24
C. R. Dickey	24
J. B. Fellows	24
Geo. R. Russell	22
C. W. Hinman	21
J. A. Frye	21
J. P. Frost	21
W. M. Merrill	19
H. S. Harris	18
L. L. Hubbard	18
H. Strater	17
H. W. Eager	17
M. Knowles	16
C. E. Berry	16
C. C. Foster	9
A. Law	9
J. W. Soule	8
J. S. Sawyer	6
C. H. Davis	5
W. L. Chase	4
N. Washburn	3
G. F. Hall	2

Adjourned 8.45 P.M.

Henry S. Harris Secy.

Boston July 2d 1889

In accordance with the request of H. T. Rockwell, J. B. Fellows, F. J. Rabbeth and D. L. F. Chase, Directors, the president L. L. Hubbard, called a special meeting of the Massachusetts Rifle Association to be held Thursday the 11th day of July current, at 4 o'clock P.M. at 70 Washington St. Room #6 and the following notice was mailed to each member of the Association.

Henry S. Harris Secy.

Massachusetts Rifle Association.

There will be a special meeting of the Association on Thursday, July 11th, at 4 o'clock, P. M., at No. 70 Washington Street, Room 6, to consider and act on the following amendment to the By-Laws, to wit:—

To insert in Section 3 of Article IV., after the word "Association," where it first occurs in said section, the words "subject to the control and direction of the Board of Directors," so that the same shall read:—

"3. The Treasurer shall collect and have charge of the funds of the Association, subject to the control and direction of the Board of Directors, and shall pay such bills as shall have been approved by the Finance Committee. He shall keep account of his transactions, and make a detailed report thereof, with vouchers annexed, when required by the Directors, and an annual report to the Association at its annual meeting. He shall give bonds in such sum as shall be fixed by the Directors."

Said amendment has been duly submitted to and favorably acted upon by the Board of Directors. The Association will also act on any other business that may come before it.

Per order Directors.

HENRY S. HARRIS,

Secretary.

Boston July 11th 89 – Only 11 members being present, no meeting was held.

Boston July 11th 1889

By request of the following four Directors, Mess. Fellows, Chase, Rockwell & Harris, the President — Mr. L. L. Hubbard, called a Special Meeting of the Mass. Rifle Association to be held Monday the 15th inst. at 12.15 P.M. at 70 Washington Street Room No. 6 and the following notice was mailed to each Member of the Association.

Henry S. Harris Secy.

Massachusetts Rifle Association.

There will be a special meeting of the Association on Monday, July 15th, at 12.15 P.M., at No. 70 Washington Street, Room 6, to consider and act on the following amendment to the By-Laws, to wit: —

To insert in Section 3 of Article IV., after the word "Association," where it first occurs in said section, the words "subject to the control and direction of the Board of Directors," so that the same shall read: —

"3. The Treasurer shall collect and have charge of the funds of the Association, (subject to the control and direction of the Board of Directors) and shall pay such bills as shall have been approved by the Finance Committee. He shall keep account of his transactions, and make a detailed report thereof, with vouchers annexed, when required by the Directors, and an annual report to the Association at its annual meeting. He shall give bonds in such sum as shall be fixed by the Directors."

Said amendment has been duly submitted to and favorably acted upon by the Board of Directors. The Association will also act on any other business that may come before it.

Per order Directors,

HENRY S. HARRIS,

Secretary.

Your presence is needed to make a quorum.

Boston July 15th 1889

A Special Meeting of the Association was held this day at 70 Washington Room No. 6 at 12.15 o'clock P.M. Fifteen Members being present. The Meeting was called to order by President Hubbard.

On Motion of Mr. J. E. Leach the following By-Law was adopted as amended.

"3. The Treasurer shall collect and have charge of the funds of the Association, subject to the control and direction of the Board of Directors, and shall pay such bills as shall have been approved by the Finance Committee. He shall keep account of his transactions, and make a detailed report thereof, with vouchers annexed, when required by the Directors, and an annual report to the Association at its annual meeting. He shall give bonds in such sum as shall be fixed by the Directors."

It was voted to dispense with reading the Minutes of the last Annual Meeting, except the vote that refered to investing the surplus funds of the association, which was read.

Adjourned 1.45 P.M.

Henry S. Harris Secy.

Boston Jany. 14th 1890

The Annual Meeting of the Association was held this day at 5.30 o'clock P.M. at the Hotel Thorndike, Boylston Street, for the election of Officers for the ensuing year, and the transaction of any other business that might properly come before the meeting.

The Meeting was called to order by President Hubbard, and the Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The Statistical Officers Report was read and accepted.

The Treasurers Report was read by the Secretary, and accepted.

Mr. J. N. Frye made a verbal report for the Trap Shooting Committee and accepted.

The following three persons were admitted to annual membership.

W. M. Foster — Lowell Mass — proposed by. H. S. Harris.
C. B. Sanborn — 29 No. Market St. City — " " J. N. Frye
Frank Cave — 96 Federal " " " " " "

A Committee of three was appointed by the chair consisting of Messrs. Hinman, J. A. Frye & Dickey to retire and bring in a list of Officers and Directors to be voted for, for the ensuing year, the reported the printed list prepared by the directors as follows.

VICE-PRESIDENTS,
J. B. FELLOWS. — 43
N. C. NASH. — 44

SECRETARY,
H. S. HARRIS. — 44

TREASURER,
W. C. PRESCOTT. — 44

DIRECTORS,
(*Erase all names but those of the fifteen for whom you wish to vote.*)

~~BARROLL, T. D.~~ — 8
~~BARSTOW, C. F.~~ — 4
CHASE, D. L. F. — 41
DICKEY, O. R. — 34
EAGER, H. W. — 26
~~EASTMAN, C. H.~~ — 8
FELLOWS, J. B. — 42
~~FOSTER, C. C.~~ — 9
FROST, J. P. — 35
FRYE, J. A. — 43
HARRIS, H. S. — 39
HINMAN, C. W. — 41
~~HOWE, J. S.~~ — 6
HUBBARD, L. L. — 40
~~JOHNSTON, W. C.~~ — 17
KELLEY, J. E. — 30
~~MERRILL, W. M.~~ — 9
NASH, N. C. — 37
PERRY, W. E. — 26
PRESCOTT, W. C. — 27
RABBETH, J. F. — 41
ROCKWELL, H. T. — 38
~~RUSSELL, G. R.~~ — 7
~~STRATER, H.~~ — 23
~~THOMPSON, W. P.~~ — 14

ANNUAL ELECTION,
MASS. RIFLE ASS'N,
Jan. 14, 1890.

The chair appointed Messrs. Chase, Bullard and J. N. Frye as a committee to distribute, collect and count ballots and the committee reported the following result,
Whole number of votes cast for Vice Presidents and Secy, and Treasurer 44 for Directors 43 as per printed list on opposite page.

The following was received from the board of directors.

It was voted at the last directors meeting, that the following proposition be submitted to the association at the annual meeting for its approval.

"That the "Directors Medal" be sold at open auction to the highest bidder among directors that have won it in past years, that the sum realized for the same be used to purchase a medal for each of the other past winners, and that hereafter a medal worth ten dollars shall annually be provided by the association for competition among the directors, said medals to be the property of the winner. No director to win a duplicate
after some remarks the above was adopted.

The association then adjourned
720 P.M.
Henry S Harris Secy.

Boston Jany. 13th 1891

The annual meeting of the Association was held this day at 5.30 O'clock P. M. at the Hotel Thorndike, Boylston, St. Boston, for the election of officers for the ensuing year and the transaction of any other business that might properly come before the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by President Hubbard and the minutes of the last annual were read and approved.

The Reports of the, Statistical Officer, Treasurer, and Trap Shooting Committee, were accepted, to be place on file.

The following two persons were admitted to annual membership,
Walter C. Cady, New London, Conn. proposed by J. N. Frye and
Dr. Heber Bishop, Boston " " W. C. Prescott.

The design offered by the directors for a Seal for the Association was adopted.

The committee on association colors, submitted a design of Red and Black and after some remarks it was adopted.

It was voted that the matter of delinquent members be referred back to the directors with the request that such members be dropped.

The vote of the Directors, with reference to posting members names at the range whose dues were not paid by April 1st was confirmed by the Association.

Voted, that the Directors be requested to consider the expediency of building a new Shooting House at Walnut Hill, and report to the Association.

The Chair appointed a committee of four consisting of Messrs. Rockwell, Osborn, Hinman & Dr. Foster, to distribute, collect and count ballots for Officers and Directors for the ensuing year and they reported the following result.

Vice-Presidents – J. B. Fellows 37 – J. A. Frye 39

Secretary, H. S. Harris 39 – Treasurer W. C. Prescott 39

Directors.
H. S. Harris 39 – J. A. Frye 38 – C. W. Hinman 38
W. C. Prescott 38 – J. B. Fellows 37 – D. L. F. Chase 37
F. J. Rabbeth 35 – W. P. Thompson 34 – N. C. Nash 33
J. E. Kelley 33 – L. L. Hubbard 33 – O. R. Dickey 28
J. P. Frost 27 – H. T. Rockwell 21 – G. Woodruff 20

Adjourned 6.45 P.M.
Henry S. Harris Secy.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.
37 J. B. FELLOWS.
39 J. A. FRYE.

SECRETARY.
39 H. S. HARRIS.

TREASURER.
39 W. C. PRESCOTT.

DIRECTORS.
(In voting for Directors, erase all names but those of the fifteen candidates whom you wish to elect.)

17 ~~BARRETT, C. O.~~
8 ~~AVAY, L. R.~~
0 ~~BARROLL, T. D.~~
4 ~~CARD, S. W.~~
36 – CHASE, D. L. F.
28 – DICKEY, O. R.
15 ~~EASTMAN, C. H.~~
37 – FELLOWS, J. B.
27 – FROST, J. P.
38 – FRYE, J. A.
16 ~~GOULD, A. C.~~
0 ~~HALL, G. F.~~
39 – HARRIS, H. S.
38 – HINMAN, C. W.
33 – HUBBARD, L. L.
14 ~~HUSSEY, W. G.~~
33 – KELLEY, J. E.
4 ~~MORRIS, M. A.~~
33 – NASH, N. C.
38 – PRESCOTT, W. C.
35 – RABBETH, F. J.
21 – ROCKWELL, H. T.
34 – THOMPSON, W. P.
10 ~~WILDER, S.~~
20 WOODRUFF, G.

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.
ANNUAL MEETING.
JAN. 13, 1891.

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

BOSTON, February 23, 1891.

There will be a Special Meeting of the Association held on Thursday, February 26th, at 7 o'clock, P.M., at the Quincy House, Boston, to consider the matter of building a NEW SHOOTING HOUSE at Walnut Hill, and transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Per order of the Directors,

HENRY S. HARRIS, Secretary.

72 Equitable Building.

Boston Feby. 26th 1891

A Special Meeting of the assn. called by the Directors, was held this day at the Quincy House, Parlor G. at 7 o'clock P.M. to consider the matter of building a New Shooting House at Walnut Hill Range, and to transact any other business that might properly come before the meeting.

President Nash called the meeting to order and the following thirty (30) members were present.

S. W. Card –	Thos. Butler –	Dr. Heber Bishop –
A. L. Brackett –	D. L. F. Chase –	J. N. Eames
Chas. H. Eastman –	J. B. Fellows –	John French
J. W. French –	J. P. Frost –	J. N. Frye
J. A. Frye –	A. C. Gould –	W. I. Getchell
H. E. Haynes –	H. S. Harris –	C. W. Hinman
J. E. Kelley –	A. Law –	N. C. Nash
E. E. Patridge –	W. C. Prescott –	F. J. Rabbeth
H. T. Rockwell –	J. W. Soule –	E. A. Stevens
W. P. Stevens –	T. G. Strater –	W. P. Thompson

The vote passed at the annual meeting with reference to building a new shooting house at Walnut Hill was read by the secretary, and a verbal statement given of the informal vote passed at the last meeting of the Directors with reference to the association appropriating money for the same purpose.

A vote of thanks of the association was tendered to Mr. Chas. H. Eastman, for the interest he had shown in preparing, free of charge, sets of plans for the proposed new building, a copy of this vote to be forwarded to Mr. Eastman by mail.

The following (5) five persons were admitted to Annual Membership.

H. E. Tuck, Haverhill	proposed by	H. S. Harris
James Busfield "	"	"	J. B. Fellows
Samuel Johnson 2d Boston	"	"	A. C. Gould
Arthur L. Robinson, Malden	"	"	W. C. Prescott
Richd. O. Harding, Boston	"	"	"

Mr. Philip Prager, Boston, proposed by W. C. Prescott was admitted to Annual and Life Membership.

A committee of three was appointed by the chair, to prepare a motion to bring the matter of building and appropriating money properly before the meeting. Mess. Hockwell, Fellows and Chase were appointed as that committee, and reported the following.

Voted, that the Board of Directors be authorized to erect a new Shooting-house at the range of the association, and that there be appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expense of erecting said Shootinghouse, all admission fees received previous to July 1/91, all gifts of money made for this purpose: and also the sum of eleven hundred dollars from the Treasury of the Assn.; It is expressly provided, however, that no draft shall be made upon the Treasury until such contributions are pledged and such contracts are made as will insure the completion of the building within the estimates which may be made by the Directors and and without the necessity for any further appropriation from the treasury. It is also understood that the structure to be built shall be commodious and substantial, and be of a value of not less than two thousand dollars.

After a few remarks the above vote was unanimously passed by a show of hands, twenty seven members being present and voting.

On motion of Mr. Gould it was voted that members paying $25.00 to become Life-Members shall if they desire, have their names entered on the subscription list, as a record of their contribution to the Club House building fund.

A subscription list was started and $750. subscribed towards the new building fund.

Mess. Walter Rabbeth and Nathl. C. Nash Jr. were admitted to Annual and Life Membership subject to the approval of the Membership committee.

The following members were admitted to life membership on payment of $25. each.

J. W. Soule
J. B. Fellows
John French
J. Warren French
D. L. F. Chase
E. A. Stevens
W. P. Stevens
E. E. Patridge
J. P. Frost
Heber Bishop
Thos. Baxter

Adjourned 8.45 P.M.

Henry St Hawes Secy.

Boston Jany. 12th 1892

The annual meeting of the association was held this day at 5.30 o'clock P.M. at Hotel Thorndike Boylston St. for the election of Officers for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as might properly come before the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by President Nash and the minutes of the last annual meeting and special meeting were read and approved.

The Reports of the Treasurer and Statistical Officer were read and it was voted that they be accepted and placed on file.

It was then voted to omit the reading of other reports and proceed to ballot for Officers and Directors for 1892

The Chair appointed a committee of four consisting of Mess. Hinman, Dr. Foster, Rockwell, and Thompson, to distribute, collect and count ballots. The committee reported the following result,

For Vice-Presidents, J. B. Fellows 44 - James A. Frye 40

For Secretary, Henry S Harris 44 - For Treasurer, Walter C. Prescott 44

For Directors,
Louis R. Avay, 27 Heber Bishop, 34 D. L. F. Chase, 29
Orrin R. Dickey, 36 Chas. H. Eastman, 30 J. B. Fellows, 38
James A. Frye, 27 Henry S. Harris, 34 Chas. W. Hinman, 37
J. E. Kelley, 31 N. C. Nash, 38 E. E. Patridge, 28
W. C. Prescott, 40 H. T. Rockwell, 36 W. P. Thompson, 41

J. Hurd Brown, Proposed by Walter C. Prescott was admitted to annual membership.

Adjourned 7 o'clock P.M.
Henry S. Harris, Secy.

Ballot for 1892 Board, M. R. A.

JANUARY 12, 1892.

VICE-PRESIDENTS,

44 J. B. FELLOWS. 40 J. A. FRYE.

SECRETARY,

44 HENRY S. HARRIS.

TREASURER,

44 WALTER C. PRESCOTT.

DIRECTORS. Vote for Fifteen.

27	LOIS R. AVAY,	
	~~CHARLES O. BARRETT,~~	13
34	DR. HEBER BISHOP,	
	~~ARTHUR L. BRACKETT,~~	11
29	*D. L. F. CHASE,	
36	*ORRIN R. DICKEY,	
30	CHARLES H. EASTMAN,	
38	*JABEZ B. FELLOWS,	
	~~EDWARD H. FOOTE,~~	11
	~~JOHN W. FRENCH,~~	14
	~~*JAMES P. FROST,~~	17
27	*JAMES A. FRYE,	
34	*HENRY S. HARRIS,	
	~~HARRY E. HAYNES.~~	15
37	*CHARLES W. HINMAN,	
	~~*LUCIUS L. HUBBARD,~~	8
31	*J. E. KELLEY,	
38	*N. CUSHING NASH,	
28	EUGENE E. PATRIDGE,	
40	*WALTER C. PRESCOTT,	
	~~F. J. RABBETH,~~	24
36	*HORACE T. ROCKWELL,	
	~~CHARLES B. SANBORN,~~	21
	~~JOHN W. SOULE,~~	9
41	*W. P. THOMPSON,	

* Old Board.

Boston Jany. 10th 1893

The annual meeting of the Association was held this day at 6 o'clock P.M. in room 12 Parker House, for the election of Officers, and the transaction of such other business as might properly come before the meeting, the meeting was called to order by President Nath. C. Nash.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report for 1892 was read and accepted, and it was then voted that the reading of all other reports be omitted as they would appear printed in the annual report of the Association.

The following two persons were admitted to annual membership,
Francis E. Cabot (age 34 – Mass) proposed by E. E. Patridge and
John B. Paine (" 22 ") " " G. R. Russell.

An ammendment was offered to change Art. 5 of Sect. 1 of the by-laws, that the date for holding monthly directors meeting, would be at the discretion of the directors, and it was voted to change the section to read as follows;

(subject to the discretion of the board)

1. The stated meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month. Special meetings may be called at any time by the President, or, in his absence, by one of the Vice-Presidents, and shall be called by either of them upon the request of three members.

Col. Rockwell asked the attention of the Meeting, and announced to the members, that the piece of land back of the 300 yards firing point, which the Association had tried hard in years past to get possession of, had during the past year been purchased by our President Mr. Nash, and in his behalf, would present the deed of this piece of land to the Association as a gift from Mr. Nash, Col. Rockwell then moved that Mr. Nash be made an Honorary Life Director, the motion was unanimously carried by a standing vote, as was also a vote of thanks given to Mr. Nash for his generous gift.

It was then voted to proceed to ballot for Officers and Directors for the year 1893. The

chair appointed Mess. Rockwell, Fellows & Hinman as a Committee to collect and count ballots, and they reported the folling persons as elected, their report was accepted. (as per printed list)

M. R. A.

Ballot for 1893 Board,

JANUARY 10, 1893.

VICE-PRESIDENTS,

47 FRANCIS J. RABBETH.
48 D. L. F. CHASE.
1 ~~J. B. Fellows~~

SECRETARY,

44 HENRY S. HARRIS.
7 ~~Geo. R. Russell~~

TREASURER,

52 WALTER C. PRESCOTT.
1 ~~Geo. R. Russell~~

DIRECTORS.

Erase names, to leave not more than

FIFTEEN TO BE VOTED FOR.

30 *LOUIS R. AVAY.
26 CHAS. O. BARRETT.
~~LOUIS BELL.~~ 14
~~SIMON W. CARD.~~ 13
49 *D. L. F. CHASE.
49 *ORRIN R. DICKEY.
53 *CHAS. H. EASTMAN.
51 *JABEZ B. FELLOWS.
~~EDWARD H. FOOTE.~~ 23
~~CHAS. C. FOSTER.~~ 17
~~JOHN FRENCH.~~ 11
~~SIDNEY GLEASON.~~ 14
35 *HENRY S. HARRIS.
50 *CHAS. W. HINMAN.
51 *JOHN E. KELLEY.
~~ALBERT LAW.~~ 10
49 *NATH'L C. NASH.
52 *WALTER C. PRESCOTT.
39 FRANCIS J. RABBETH.
51 *HORACE T. ROCKWELL.
36 CHAS. B. SANBORN.
~~EVERETT A. STEVENS.~~ 12
~~HENRY N. SWEET.~~ 7
46 *WM. P. THOMPSON.
~~GALEN WOODRUFF.~~ 7

~~G. R. Russell~~ 11
~~Sumner Paine~~ 11

* Old Board.

Mr. J. N. Frye in behalf of the Shot Gun Team, presented to the Association, Trophies won by them during the year, (these trophie's having been given by the Shooting & Fishing Publishing Co. and consisting of One Silver Pitcher and eleven Silver Cups)) which were accepted by the Association, and it was then voted to present to each member of the team one of the Cups.

The Chair appointed a committee of three consisting of Mess. Rockwell, Hinman and Harris to prepare resolutions on the death of our late member Major James P. Frost.
At 7.40 P.M. the meeting adjourned to the annual Dinner in the ajoining room.

Henry S. Harris, Secy.

Boston Jany. 9th 1894

The Annual Meeting of the Association was held this day at 5.30 o'clock P.M. at Hotel Thorndike as per printed notice, but there not being a quorum present the meeting was adjourned to meet at the same place and hour Wednesday Jany. 10th 1894

Henry S. Harris, Secy.

Boston Jany. 10th 1894

The Adjourned Annual Meeting of the Association was held this day at 5.30 o'clock P.M. at Hotel Thorndike, President Rockwell in the chair.

The minutes of the last meetings were read and approved.

The Statistical Officer's Report was also read and approved. The Treasurer gave an abstract of his report, but the full report will appear in the printed annual report of the association.
It was then voted to omit the reading of all other reports as they would also appear in the printed annual report, and to proceed to ballot for Officers and Directors for the year 1894

The chair appointed a committee of three, consisting of Mess. Briggs, Foster (C.C.) and Thompson

to collect and count ballots. The committee reported that as a result of the ballot the following persons were elected. (as per printed list)

M. R. A.

Ballot for 1894 Board,

JANUARY 10, 1894.

VICE-PRESIDENTS,

20 D. L. F. CHASE
20 SIMON W. CARD.

SECRETARY,

19 HENRY S. HARRIS.
1 ~~S. S. Patridge~~

TREASURER.

20 CHAS. H. EASTMAN.

DIRECTORS,

Erase names, to leave not more than

FIFTEEN TO BE VOTED FOR.

12 *LOUIS R. AVAY.
~~LOUIS BELL.~~ 3
~~SIMON W. CARD.~~ 8
17 *D. L. F. CHASE.
17 *ORRIN R. DICKEY.
18 *CHAS. H. EASTMAN.
17 *JABEZ B. FELLOWS.
~~CHAS. C. FOSTER.~~ 9
~~JOHN L. FOWLE.~~ 2
~~JOHN FRENCH.~~ 2
~~SIDNEY GLEASON.~~ 7
17 *HENRY S. HARRIS.
17 *CHAS. W. HINMAN.
~~JOHN T. HUMPHREY.~~ 4
17 *JOHN E. KELLEY.
17 *NATH'L C. NASH.
13 *WALTER C. PRESCOTT.
16 *FRANCIS J. RABBETH.
18 *HORACE T. ROCKWELL.
13 *CHAS. B. SANBORN.
12 J. S. SAWYER.
~~EVERETT A. STEVENS.~~ 2
~~HENRY N. SWEET.~~ 4
17 *WM. P. THOMPSON
~~H. L. WILLARD.~~ 1
~~GALEN WOODRUFF.~~ 1

*Old Board.

At 6.50 o'clock P.M. the meeting adjourned to the Annual Dinner in the ajoining room.

Henry S. Harris, Secy.

Boston Jany. 8th 1895

The annual meeting of the Association for the election of Officers and Directors and such other business as might properly come before the Meeting was held this day at 5.30 o'clock P.M. in Room #8 of Young's Hotel, President Fellows in the Chair.

The minutes of the last annual Meeting was read and approved.

The reports of Treasurer and Stitistical Officer were read and accepted.

On motion of Mr. Chase it was voted to omit the reading of all other reports, as they would appear in our printed annual report.

It was then voted to proceed to the election of Officers and Directors for the ensuing year. A Committee of (3) three was appointed by the chair to collect and count ballots, consisting of Col. Rockwell, Maj. Hinman and Prescott.

The Committee reported that as a result of the ballot, the following named persons were elected.

VICE-PRESIDENTS,
19 SIMON W. CARD.
19 JOHN E. KELLEY.

SECRETARY.
19 HENRY S. HARRIS.

TREASURER,
19 CHAS. H. EASTMAN.

DIRECTORS,
Erase names, to leave not more than
FIFTEEN TO BE VOTED FOR.

4 ~~C. F. G. ARMSTRONG.~~
17 SIMON W. CARD.
19 *D. L. F. CHASE.
2 ~~GEORGE P. COOLEY.~~
19 *CHAS. H. EASTMAN.
18 *JABEZ B. FELLOWS.
1 ~~EDWARD H. FOOTE.~~
15 WILLARD M. FOSTER.
2 ~~JOHN L. FOWLE.~~
6 ~~JOHN FRENCH.~~
19 SIDNEY GLEASON.
17 GEORGE F HALL.
18 *HENRY S. HARRIS.
18 *CHAS. W. HINMAN.
16 JOHN T. HUMPHREY.
1 ~~WILLIAM G. HUSSEY.~~
19 *JOHN E. KELLEY.
4 ~~ALBERT LAW.~~
17 *NATH'L C. NASH.
17 *FRANCIS J. RABBETH.
18 *HORACE T. ROCKWELL.
0 ~~WM. F. SPENCER.~~
1 ~~HENRY N. SWEET.~~
17 *WM. P. THOMPSON.
1 ~~H. L. WILLARD.~~

At 6.25 o'clock P.M. the meeting adjourned to the annual Dinner in Room #9

Henry S Harris, Secy.

43 members & Guests at the dinner

Boston Jany. 14th 1896

The Annual Meeting of the Association for the election of Officers and Directors and such other business as might properly come before the meeting was held this day at 5.30 o'clock P.M. at the American House, Boston, Vice-President Kelley in the chair.

The minutes of the last Annual Meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's Report was read by the Treas. Mr. Eastman and was accepted.

The Chairman appointed Mess. Hinman, Chase and W. M. Foster to distribute, collect and count ballots for officers and Directors, and they reported the following result.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENTS.
20 JOHN E. KELLEY.
20 JOHN FRENCH.

FOR SECRETARY.
20 HENRY S. HARRIS.

FOR TREASURER.
20 CHAS. H. EASTMAN.

FOR DIRECTORS.
Erase names, to leave not more than
FIFTEEN TO BE VOTED FOR.

12 *SIMON W. CARD.
20 *D. L. F. CHASE.
~~CHESTER A. COOMBS.~~ 10
~~CHARLES T. DUNCKLEE.~~ 3
20 *CHAS. H. EASTMAN.
~~EDWARD A. FOOTE.~~ 7
20 *WILLARD M. FOSTER.
19 *JOHN FRENCH.
19 *SIDNEY GLEASON.
20 *HENRY S. HARRIS.
18 *CHAS. W. HINMAN.
19 *JOHN T. HUMPHREY.
20 *JOHN E. KELLEY.
~~JAMES H. KEOUGH.~~ 6
19 *NATH'L C. NASH.
19 *FRANCIS J. RABBETH.
17 *HORACE T. ROCKWELL.
~~WM. F. SPENCER.~~ 3
19 *WM. P. THOMPSON.
11 H. L. WILLARD.

The annual dinner to be held after this meeting, in the same Hotel.

Adjourned 615 P.M.

Henry S. Harris, Secy.

Boston Jany. 12th 1897

The annual Meeting of the Association for the election of Officers and Directors and such other business as might properly come before the Meeting was held this day at 5.30 o'clock P.M. at Young's Hotel. President Rabbett in the chair.

The minutes of the last annual Meeting were read and approved

The Statistical Officer's report was read and accepted

The Treasurer's Report was read by the Treas. Mr. Eastman, It was voted to accept the report and place it on file.

The following two persons, proposed by Pres. Rabbeth were admitted to annual Membership subject to the approval of the Membership Committee. Mr. Charles S. Cook 24 Winter St. Boston and Mr. Charles S. Cook Jr. same address.

It was voted that we proceed to the election of Officers & Directors for the ensuing year. The chair appointed Mess. Rockwell, Nash and Hinman to receive and count ballots, they reported the following result of the ballot.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENTS.
24 JOHN FRENCH.
24 WM. P. THOMPSON.

FOR SECRETARY.
24 HENRY S. HARRIS.

FOR TREASURER.
23 SIDNEY GLEASON.

FOR DIRECTORS
Erase names, to leave not more than
FIFTEEN TO BE VOTED FOR.

~~FRANK H. BRIGGS.~~ 4
16 *SIMON W. CARD.
22 *D. L. F. CHASE
17 CHESTER A. COOMBS.
~~JAMES COONEY, JR.~~ 8
22 *CHAS. H. EASTMAN.
19 *WILLARD M. FOSTER
~~JOHN FRENCH.~~ 10
23 *SIDNEY GLEASON.
24 *HENRY S. HARRIS.
19 *CHAS. W. HINMAN.
23 *JOHN T. HUMPHREY.
23 *JOHN E. KELLEY.
~~JAMES H. KEOUGH.~~ 9
~~ALLEN J. LITCHFIELD.~~ 7
23 *NATH'L C. NASH.
23 *FRANCIS J. RABBETH.
22 *HORACE T. ROCKWELL.
23 *WM. P. THOMPSON.
22 *H. L. WILLARD.

Their report was accepted and the above named officers and Directors declared elected for the ensuing year.

Adjourned 6.30 P.M.
Henry S. Harris, Secy.

Boston Jany. 11th 1898

The annual Meeting of the Association for the election of Officers and Directors, and such other business as might properly come before the Meeting, was held this day at 5.30 o'clock P.M. in Room 98 American House; in absence of the President or Vice-Presidents, the Meeting was called to order by the Secretary and Col. Rockwell was elected chairman pro. tem.

The records of the last annual meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer, Mr. Gleason, read his report for the past year which was accepted and placed on file

The Statistical Officer's Report was read by the Secretary and accepted.

The following two persons were admitted to annual Membership, being proposed by Mr. S. Merrill, Messrs. Wm. D. Sullivan and John D. Merrill.

It was voted to proceed to ballot for Officers and Directors for the ensuing year, using the printed list as provided by the board of directors. The Chair appointed Mess. Hinman, Patridge and Nash to, distribute, collect and count the ballots. The committee reported the following result of the ballot. The report was accepted and the following Officers and Directors were declared elected,

M. R. A.
Ballot for 1898 Board,
JANUARY 11, 1898.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENTS.
19 WM. P. THOMPSON.
18 JAMES BUSFIELD.

FOR SECRETARY.
16 HENRY S. HARRIS.

FOR TREASURER.
19 SIDNEY GLEASON.

FOR DIRECTORS.
Erase names, to leave not more than
FIFTEEN TO BE VOTED FOR.

~~SIMON W. CARD.~~ 8
18 *D. L. F. CHASE.
~~GEORGE P. COOLEY.~~ 8
18 *CHESTER A. COOMBS.
17 *CHAS. H. EASTMAN.
18 *WILLARD M. FOSTER.
18 *SIDNEY GLEASON.
16 *HENRY S. HARRIS.
15 *CHAS. W. HINMAN.
~~WILLIAM HOMES.~~ 6
16 *JOHN T. HUMPHREY.
19 *JOHN E. KELLEY.
~~ALLEN J. LITCHFIELD.~~ 8
18 *NATH'L C. NASH.
15 EUGENE E. PATRIDGE.
~~CHESTER B. PRATT.~~ 9
11 *FRANCIS J. RABBETH.
17 *HORACE T. ROCKWELL.
11 *WM. P. THOMPSON.
16 *H. L. WILLARD.

It was voted to have an annual Dinner later this month, and the Chair appointed a committee of three consisting of Mess. Patridge, Harris & Eastman, to make arrangements with full power.

Mr. Patridge as chairman of the Match committee gave a detailed report of the prize matches to begin at Walnut Hill, next Sat. Jany. 15th

The Matter of free Barge rides, from Station to Range at Walnut Hill, was quite fully discussed and then a vote was taken not to have free Barges.

The matter of putting into print the history of the Association up to the present time, was suggested by Mr Patridge and referred to the incoming board of Directors.

Adjourned 7.10 P.M. Henry S. Harris, Secy.

Boston Jany. 10th 1899

The Annual Meeting of the Association was held this day at the close of the Annual Dinner at "The Thorndike" Boylston St. President Chase called the meeting to order at 8.15 o'clock P.M.

The records of the last Annual Meeting were read and approved.

The Statistical Officer's report was read by Mr. Spencer and approved and placed on file.

Mr. Gleason, read the Treasurer's report which was also accepted and placed on file

It was voted to proceed to ballot for officers and Directors for the ensuing year, using the printed list as provided by the board of directors, The Chair appointed Mess. Merrill, Spencer and Nash to distribute, collect and count the ballots, their report was accepted and the following Officers and Directors were declared elected.

OFFICERS FOR 1899.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENTS:
36 JAMES BUSFIELD.
36 HENRY S. HARRIS.

FOR SECRETARY:
37 CHESTER A. COOMBS.

FOR TREASURER:
37 SIDNEY GLEASON.

FOR DIRECTORS:
(Erase names to leave not more than fifteen to be voted for.)

~~H. A. BAKER.~~ 12
36 * D. L. F. CHASE.
~~GEO. P. COOLEY.~~ 11
34 * CHESTER A. COOMBS.
37 * CHAS. H. EASTMAN.
32 * WILLARD M. FOSTER.
36 * SIDNEY GLEASON.
33 * HENRY S. HARRIS.
36 * CHAS. W. HINMAN.
~~WILLIAM HOMES.~~ 12
37 * JOHN T. HUMPHREY.
~~JAMES H. KEOUGH.~~ 16
36 * JOHN E. KELLEY.
17 SAMUEL MERRILL.
36 * NATHANIEL C. NASH.
33 * HORACE T. ROCKWELL.
35 * EUGENE E. PATRIDGE.
~~WILLIAM F. SPENCER.~~ 15
22 * WM. P. THOMPSON.
25 * H. L. WILLARD.

ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

OF THE

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

The Annual Meeting of the M. R. A., for the election of officers, action upon proposed amendments to the By-Laws, and such other business as may properly come before it, will be held at the Thorndike, Boylston Street, Boston, Tuesday, Jan. 9, 1900, at *7.00 P. M. A copy of the By-Laws, amended as proposed, is enclosed.

Per order of the Directors,

CHESTER A. COOMBS, Secretary.

Boston, Jan. 1, 1900.

* See time for Annual Dinner next page.

The Annual Dinner of the Association will be given Tuesday, January 9, 1900, at the Thorndike, Boylston Street, cor. Church. Reception at 5.30. Dinner served promptly at **6 o'clock,** and it is requested that every one be present in ample season.

The Dinner will be free to members; tickets for non-members, $2.00 each.

The Annual Meeting will be held immediately after the Dinner. After the regular business of the Annual Meeting is transacted, the members will be given an opportunity to present to the Directors any suggestions which they may have to offer. The opinion of members is particularly requested as to the desirability of continuing to make the Annual Dinner free to members.

This being a business meeting, the officers and committee will not wear evening dress, and suggest that all others follow this example. Members are requested to wear Association medals, not exceeding five.

By courtesy of Messrs. M. Steinert & Sons Co., a Pianola recital will be given during the evening.

It will be necessary for the members to notify the Secretary, No. 53 Commercial Street, at least twenty-four hours in advance, of their intention to attend the Dinner, in order that proper provision may be made for the seating. Any members desiring to bring friends are requested to notify the Secretary at least twenty-four hours in advance, stating number of guests.

E. E. PATRIDGE,
H. S. HARRIS,
C. H. D. EASTMAN, } Committee.

A vote of thanks was given to the retiring Secretary for his twelve years services.

Dr. Fred. A. Cooke, proposed by Dr. H. A. Baker was admitted to Annual Membership subject to the approval of the Membership Committee.

It was voted to empower Col. J. A. Frye to draft a resolution to be sent by our Association to our Senators and representatives in Congress urging upon them the necessity of our Militia and Artillery-men having ammunition and time allowed them for target practice at Boston and in the coast defences of Massachusetts.

Adjourned 9.50 o'clock P. M.
Henry S. Harris Secy.

Boston January 9. 1900

The annual meeting of the Association was held to day at the Hotel Thorndike, Boylston St. at the close of the dinner President Chase presiding.

The meeting was called to order at 8.40. Pres. Chase made a brief statement as to the condition of the range and the work of the year.

The records of the last annual meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Treasurer was read by the Secy and voted to accept when properly audited.

The report of the Statistical officer was read, accepted and placed on file.

The recommendation of the Board of Directors in regard to amended By Laws was next taken up and on motion it was voted to accept the amendments as per the printed circular with the exception that Section 4 of Article XII be retained, ~~on~~ (See By Laws as adopted below) and Article II as amended.

Art II

Paragraph two changed by erasing the word "fifteen" and adding the following as the second sentence of the paragraph — "The Board of Directors shall consist of fifteen members chosen by the association, and the Treasurer and Secretary, ex-officio"

Attest. H. Hutchinson Secy for 1900-

Amended form of By-Laws proposed by the Directors for adoption by the Association.

THE MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

BY-LAWS.

[*Sections in italics show more important changes.*]

1. NAME AND OBJECT.

This Association shall be called THE MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION. Its object shall be to promote rifle-practice in Massachusetts.

II. OFFICERS.

The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Treasurer, a Secretary, and a Board of ~~fifteen~~ Directors. The officers shall be chosen annually by ballot by the members of the Association, with the exception of the President, who shall be chosen by the Directors from their own number, and shall hold their offices for one year, and until others are chosen in their stead. The Directors shall also choose a counsellor, executive officers, and statistical officers, to hold their offices during the pleasure of the Board.

III. MANAGEMENT.

1. The Board of Directors shall control the affairs of the Association, take cognizance of all infractions of the Charter and By-Laws, and fill vacancies which may occur in the offices of the Association, until the time of the next annual meeting.

2. A quorum of the Board of Directors shall consist of five members.

3. The Board of Directors shall, for their government, from time to time, make rules and regulations, and shooting-rules for the government of the Association, not inconsistent with these By-Laws.

4. The interpretation of the Rules and By-Laws shall rest with the Board of Directors.

5. Any Director may at any time examine the records of the Secretary, or inspect the accounts of the Treasurer.

6. The following Standing Committees, each to consist of three members, shall be elected by the Directors, during the month of January, in each year, or as soon thereafter as may be:

Finance Committee, Range Committee, Membership Committee, Trap-Shooting Committee, and such other committees as may be deemed necessary.

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The Directors shall also choose at the same time four of their own number, who, with the President, shall constitute an Executive Committee.

IV. DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

1. The President of the Association, or, in his absence, one of the Vice-Presidents, shall authorize the call of all meetings of the Board of Directors, and shall call special meetings of the Association at the request of four of the Board of Directors, or of ten members of the Association. He shall have the right, *ex-officio*, to be present at meetings of the committees.

2. The Secretary of the Association shall notify each member of the Board of Directors of all its meetings, and each member of the Association of every meeting of the Association; issue all other authorized notices to members; post on the range a copy of all new rules made by the Directors; make and keep a true record of all meetings of the Directors and of the Association; have custody of the records and papers and the corporate seal of the Association, and conduct all correspondence.

At the discretion of the Board of Directors, notices of meetings of the Association may be given by publishing the same in one or more newspapers of general circulation published in Boston; such notices to appear at least one week previous to the meeting.

3. The Treasurer shall collect and have charge of the funds of the Association, subject to the control of the Board of Directors, and pay such bills as shall have been approved by the Finance Committee. He shall keep account of his transactions, and make a detailed report thereof, with vouchers annexed, when required by the Directors, and an annual report to the Association at its annual meeting. He shall have custody of the medals, trophies, and prizes of the Association. He shall order score-cards printed, and deliver the same to the Statistical Officer, as may be required. He shall give bonds in such sum as shall be fixed by the Directors.

4. The Statistical Officer shall keep a record of the statistics of the Association, and account and pay over to the Treasurer, weekly, all moneys received by him, less his disbursements in the various matches of the Association, with schedules giving an itemized account of the same, and shall be accountable to the Treasurer for all score-cards and other tickets received by him for the use of the Association. He shall direct the services of the clerical employees at the meetings for competition.

5. The Finance Committee shall have the general supervision of the finances of the Association. They shall, from time to time, examine the accounts of the Treasurer and Statistical Officer, and recommend such methods in keeping the same as may seem for the interest of the Association. No obligations of the Association beyond those necessary for current wants shall be made until the Finance Committee shall have considered and reported upon the necessity and propriety of the plan proposed.

6. The Range Committee shall have charge of the Range, and all the property of the Association connected therewith. They shall attend to the purchase of all necessary supplies for the use of the Range-keeper and the Markers. They shall audit all claims and bills against the Association for labor on and supplies used at the Range. But this committee shall have no power to make contracts or purchases in the name of the Association, for anything more than the usual supplies, unless authorized by a formal vote of the Board of Directors. They shall appoint a Range-keeper, Markers, and such assistants as may be necessary, and direct their services. They shall require the Range-keeper to make returns of the property in his charge, which returns shall be examined and indorsed by the committee or its chairman, and presented to the Board of Directors. They shall make such temporary rules and regulations for the use of the grounds and the targets as shall seem necessary. They shall generally do and perform everything needful to protect the interests of the Association and secure a successful management of the Range.

7. The Executive Committee shall have general supervision of the affairs of the Association, not inconsistent with the powers and duties of other officers and committees as set forth, and shall report their action to the Directors for approval. They shall inquire into and report upon all infractions of the rules and regulations of the Association by any of its members, and recommend action thereon.

V. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

1. The stated meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month, subject to the discretion of the Board of Directors. Special meetings may be called at any time by the President, or, in his absence, by one of the Vice-Presidents, and shall be called upon the request of three Directors.

2. All special committees shall be appointed by the presiding officer, unless otherwise ordered.

3. Any member of the Board, who shall, in its opinion, conduct himself in a manner prejudicial to the interests of the Association, may be removed from the Board of Directors by a two-thirds vote of all the members of the Board at any stated meeting, provided the member accused shall have been personally notified, in writing, at least ten days previously, of the charges against him, and a hearing given him thereon at a stated meeting therein specified.

4. Neglect on the part of any Director to attend six successive meetings of the Board shall be deemed a tender of the resignation of his office. But the Board may excuse any member for such neglect, and, before his resignation is accepted, under this By-Law, the member in default must be specially notified of the same.

VI. MEMBERSHIP.

Any person desiring to become a member of the Association shall make written application in due form upon a blank furnished by the Association, and bearing the indorsement of two members in good standing. The application will be considered by the Directors, and if action is favorable the applicant will become a member upon subscribing to the By-Laws and paying the admission fee of ten dollars.

VII. RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF MEMBERS.

1. All members of the Association shall be entitled to equal rights and privileges.

2. All members shall subscribe to the By-Laws.

3. The annual dues, except for existing life members, who are exempt, shall be three dollars, payable in advance on the first day of January in each year, and if the annual dues of any member shall remain unpaid for four months thereafter, his membership shall cease, and he cannot be reinstated except by vote of the Board of Directors and payment of all arrears to the Association.

~~The following section of the old By-Laws is omitted in the revised By-Laws:~~

4. Any member can become a member for life by the payment, in one sum of twenty-five dollars, and shall thereafter be exempt from all dues and assessments.

5. Any member who shall persistently refuse to pay any indebtedness to the Association shall, at the discretion of the Board of Directors, forfeit his membership, and he shall not be reinstated except by vote of the Board of Directors and payment of all arrears.

6. No member shall be allowed to transfer his rights of membership.

7. Any member whose conduct shall be pronounced, by a two-thirds vote of the whole Board, as endangering, or likely to endanger, the welfare, interest, or character of the Association, shall forfeit his membership. Such vote shall not be taken without giving two weeks' notice to the offender of the charges made against him, and affording him an opportunity of being heard in his defence.

8. Any member having complaints or suggestions to make as to the management of the Association must do so, in writing, to the Directors.

9. No member shall take any property whatever, belonging to the Association, from its rooms or grounds, except by authority of the Directors.

10. Any member wishing to resign shall make his resignation, in writing, to the Secretary, but his resignation shall not be accepted until all his dues are paid.

11. All rights and interest of a member in the property and privileges of the Association shall cease with the termination of his membership.

12. Non-members may be permitted to use the Range under such restrictions and on payment of such amount as may be fixed by the Board of Directors. The Range shall be free to members at such times as may be fixed by the Board; at other times each shooting-party must pay such rates of target hire as may be established by the Board of Directors: *provided*, that no targets shall be let to shooting-parties on match-days of the Association, except at the discretion of the Executive Officer.

13. No betting, nor use of intoxicating drinks, nor any person under the influence of liquor, shall be allowed upon the premises of the Association.

VIII. MEETINGS.

1. The members of the Association shall hold an annual meeting on the second Tuesday of January in each year, and such special meetings as may be called pursuant to these By-Laws. If the annual meeting shall not take place at the time fixed, it shall be held within a reasonable time thereafter, and the officers and Directors shall hold over until their successors shall have been appointed.

2. Fifteen members present at a general or special meeting shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.

IX. AMENDMENT OF THE BY-LAWS.

Any proposition to amend these By-Laws shall be submitted in writing, with the signatures of at least ten members of the Association proposing the same, to the Board of Directors; the Directors shall consider it at their next meeting, and submit it to the Association at its next meeting, notice being given to all members of the proposed changes. A two-thirds vote of all members present shall then be required for the adoption of the proposed amendment.

On motion it was voted to proceed to the election of officers and directors for the ensuing year using the printed ballot prepared by the Nominating Com. Messrs Merrill, Nash and Spencer were appointed to distribute, collect and count the ballots. Upon the report of the committee the following officers and directors were declared elected.

Whole no. of Ballots 42

42

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

OFFICERS FOR 1900.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENTS:

Vote for Two.

41 HENRY S. HARRIS.
42 CHAS. H. EASTMAN.

(over)

FOR SECRETARY:
Vote for One.

HAROLD HUTCHINSON. 42

FOR TREASURER:
Vote for One.

SIDNEY GLEASON. 42

FOR DIRECTORS:
(Erase names to leave not more than fifteen to be voted for.)
Vote for Fifteen.

37 H. A. BAKER.
38 D. L. F. CHASE.
~~GEO. P. COOLEY.~~ 9
35 CHESTER A. COOMBS.
40 CHAS. H. EASTMAN.
33 WILLARD M. FOSTER.
37 HENRY S. HARRIS.
37 CHAS. W. HINMAN.
34 WILLIAM HOMES.
39 JOHN T. HUMPHREY.
39 JOHN E. KELLEY.
34 SAMUEL MERRILL.
34 NATHANIEL C. NASH.
33 HORACE T. ROCKWELL.
36 EUGENE E. PATRIDGE.
~~37~~ ~~WILLIAM F. SPENCER.~~ 28
38 WM. P. THOMPSON.
~~EDWARD H. FOOTE.~~ 11
~~CHESTER B. PRATT.~~ 11
~~LOUIS BELL.~~ 14
~~J. Busfield~~ 1

On motion of Capt Jackson it was voted to request the Directors to take under advisement the matter of placing the Association under a liability Corporation.

Adjourned
Chester A Coombs
Secy

Boston, Jan. 8th 1901.

This annual meeting of the Association was held this day at the Exchange Club.

The meeting was called to order with President Chase in the chair, who made a statement of the condition of the range and the work of year.

The Secretary's report of the previous annual meeting was read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read by Col Rockwell in the Treasurer's absence, and it was voted that the report be accepted and placed on file.

A verbal report was made by the Range Committee regarding the rebuilding of the 200 yard pit.

The Statistical officer's report was read, accepted and placed on file.

On motion to proceed to ballot for officers it was voted to use the printed ballot prepared by the nominating committee, and Messrs Busfield, Humphrey and Archer were appointed to collect and count the ballots.

After balloting, it was voted that the report of the committee to count ballots be accepted, and the following elections were declared:—

Whole no. of votes 39

Massachusetts Rifle Association.

OFFICERS FOR 1901.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENTS.
Vote for Two.

39 HENRY S. HARRIS.
39 CHARLES H. EASTMAN.

FOR SECRETARY.
Vote for One.

39 HAROLD HUTCHINSON.

FOR TREASURER.
Vote for One.

39 SIDNEY GLEASON.

FOR DIRECTORS.

Erase names to leave not more than fifteen to be voted for.

Vote for Fifteen.

36 * H. A. BAKER.
26 LOUIS BELL.
39 * D. L. F. CHASE.
~~G. P. COOLEY.~~
36 * CHESTER A. COOMBS.
36 * CHARLES H. EASTMAN.
34 * WILLARD M. FOSTER.
~~E. H. FOOTE.~~
37 * HENRY S. HARRIS.
37 * CHARLES W. HINMAN.
39 * JOHN T. HUMPHREY.
38 * JOHN E. KELLEY.
37 * SAMUEL MERRILL.
34 * NATHANIEL C. NASH.
~~CHESTER B. PRATT.~~
38 * EUGENE E. PATRIDGE.
35 * HORACE T. ROCKWELL.
~~H. S. ROBBINS.~~
~~J. W. SOULE.~~
36 * WILLIAM P. THOMPSON.

* Old Board.

Voted: Unanimously, on the motion of Mr. Blair, that the association had taken pleasure at having the range graced by the presence of a lady, (Mrs. E. E. Patridge) during the last few years, and congratulated her upon the position she has attained as a rifle shot.

Adjourned.

Harold Hutchinson, Secy

Boston, January 14, 1902

The Annual Meeting of the Association was held this day at the Exchange Club with President Chase in the chair.

In the absence of the Secretary Mr. J. T. Humphrey was elected to the office pro. tem.

The reports of the Treasurer and of the Statistical Officer were read and accepted.

The following members were admitted subject to the approval of the membership Committee.

Mr. C. L. Bouvé
Mr. F. C. Fitz

Messrs W. M. Foster, A. Niedner, and G. H. Blair having been appointed a committee on ballots, the Association proceeded to elect the following officers.

Vice-Presidents

Charles H. Eastman
John E. Kelley

Secretary

Harold Hutchinson

Treasurer

Sidney Gleason

Board of Directors

H. A. Baker
J. Busfield
L. Bell
D. L. F. Chase
C. A. Coombs
C. H. Eastman
W. M. Foster

C. W. Hinman
J. T. Humphrey
J. E. Kelley
S. Merrill
N. C. Nash
E. E. Patridge
H. T. Rockwell
W. P. Thompson

Voted: That the thanks of the meeting be extended by the Secretary to the Exchange Club for its courtesies to the Association through a note sent to the Chairman of the House Committee.

Adjourned
J. T. Humphrey
Secy pro tem

Entered on the records by
H. Hutchinson
Secy.

Boston, Jan'y 13th 1903.

The annual meeting of the Association was held at 5⁴⁵ P.M. this day at the Exchange Club with President Chase in the chair. The meeting having been called to order, the Secretary's report of the previous meeting was read and accepted.

The Treasurer's report was then read, accepted and placed on file.

Following this the Statistical Officer's report was read, accepted, and placed on file.

The meeting now proceeded to the usual election, Messrs. Nash, Spencer and Blair being chosen a committee to distribute, collect and count the ballots.

Voted, that, as it appeared that some members had marked their ballots by scratching names, as had been the custom in previous years, instead of noting their choice by a cross as called callid for on the face of the ballot, the intent of the voter be considered by the committee in all such cases, and the ballots so scratched be counted as if marked in the proper manner.

Whereupon the Committee announced the following elections:-

Vice-Presidents,
E. E. Patridge
Harry M. Pope

Secretary,
Harold Hutchinson

Treasurer,
Sidney Gleason

Board of Directors,
H. A. Baker
Louis Bell

James Busfield,
D. L. F. Chase,
C. A. Coombs
C. H. Eastman,
W. M. Foster,
R. S. Hale,
C. W. Hinman,
J. T. Humphrey,
J. E. Kelley,
Samuel Merrill,
N. C. Nash
Adolph Niedner,
E. E. Patridge.

At 6.30 P.M. the meeting adjourned, to proceed to the annual dinner.

attest
H. Hutchinson, Secy.

Massachusetts Rifle Association.

OFFICIAL LIST OF CANDIDATES, 1903.

To vote for a Person, mark a Cross X in the Square at the Right of the Name.

Voters inserting names must mark a cross against each name so inserted.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.	Vote for Two.
E. E. PATRIDGE	
HARRY M. POPE	

SECRETARY.	Vote for One.
HAROLD HUTCHINSON	

TREASURER.	Vote for One.
SIDNEY GLEASON	

*J. T. HUMPHREY	28
*J. E. KELLEY	26
I. J. MEAD	
*SAMUEL MERRILL	26
*N. C. NASH	29
ADOLPH NIEDNER	17
*E. E. PATRIDGE	27

* old Board.

Boston. Jan 12, 1904.

The annual meeting of the Association was held at 5.30 p.m. this day at the Parker House with President Chase in the chair.

In the absence of the Secretary J. T. Humphrey was elected to the office pro tem. Minutes of last meeting were not read as records were not at hand.

The Treasurer's report was read, accepted and placed on file.

The Statistical Officer's report was read, accepted and placed on file.

The meeting then proceeded to the election of officers. A committee of Messrs. Eastman Hinman distributed and collected ballots, and reported the following officers elected

Vice-Presidents.	E. E. Patridge.
	Harry M. Pope.
Secretary.	Harold Hutchinson.
Treasurer.	Sidney Gleason.
Board of Directors.	H. A. Baker.
	Louis Bell.
	George H. Blair
	James Busfield
	D. L. F. Chase.
	C. A. Coombs.
	C. H. Eastman
	R. S. Hale.
	C. W. Hinman.
	J. T. Humphrey
	J. E. Kelley
	Samuel Merrill
	N. C. Nash
	Adolph Niedner
	E. E. Patridge

After the election there was a general discussion in regard to means of increasing the attendance at the annual meetings.

Mr. Pope presented the Assoc. with a set of marking discs and was given a vote of thanks.

Dr. R. H. Sayre a guest of the Assoc. was given the privelege of the floor during this meeting by unanimous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 6.20 P.M.

John Taylor Humphrey. Sec. pro tem.

Massachusetts Rifle Association.

OFFICIAL LIST OF CANDIDATES, 1904.

To vote for a Person, mark a cross X in the Square at the Right of the Name.

Voters inserting names must mark a cross against each name so inserted.

VICE-PRESIDENTS.	Vote for Two
E. E. PATRIDGE	19
HARRY M. POPE	18

SECRETARY.	Vote for One
HAROLD HUTCHINSON	19

TREASURER.	Vote for One
SIDNEY GLEASON	18

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.	Vote for Fifteen
*H. A. BAKER	18
*LOUIS BELL	18
GEORGE H. BLAIR	17
*JAMES BUSFIELD	17
*D. L. F. CHASE	18
*C. A. COOMBS	18
*C. H. EASTMAN	18
F. C. FITZ	
*R. S. HALE	17
FREEMAN HINCKLEY	
*C. W. HINMAN	18
*J. T. HUMPHREY	17
*J. E. KELLEY	19
J. E. LYNCH	
I. J. MEAD	
*SAMUEL MERRILL	18
*N. C. NASH	15
*ADOLPH NIEDNER	17
*E. E. PATRIDGE	18
W. S. RIPLEY, Jr.	

*Old Board

Boston. Jan. 10th/1905.

The Annual Meeting of the Association was held this day at Young's Hotel. The members met at 1.30 P.M. and a little later the meeting was called to order with President Chase in the Chair.

The Record book being in the hands of the Secretary pro tem, the reading of minutes of the last meeting was necessarily dispensed with, owing to his absence.

The Treasurer's report was read and placed on file.

The Statistical Officer's report was also read and placed on file.

The chair having appointed Messrs Nash, Merrill and Foster a Committee to distribute and count ballots, the meeting proceeded to vote.

The following Officers were declared Elected by the Committee:

Vice Presidents: Charles C. Foster.
J. B. Crabtree.
Secretary: George H. Blair.
Treasurer: Sidney Gleason.
Directors: H. A. Baker
Louis Bell.
James Busfield.
D. L. F. Chase.
C. A. Coombs.
C. H. Eastman.
R. S. Hale.
C. W. Hinman.
H. Hutchinson
J. E. Kelley.
J. E. Lynch.
S. Merrill.
N. C. Nash.
A. Niedner.
E. E. Patridge.

F. C. Fitz – Albert Law – I. J. Mead – W. S. Ripley Jr. and George R. Russell were also on the ballot.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it was voted to adjourn and proceed to the annual dinner.

H. Hutchinson.
Sec'y.

Recorded by G. H. Blair.

Vice Presidents.

C. C. Foster	卌 卌 卌 卌	~~20~~	28
J. B. Crabtree	卌 卌 卌 卌 ||	~~22~~	30

Secretary

G. H. Blair	卌 卌 卌 卌 ||	~~22~~	29

Treasurer

Sidney Gleason	卌 卌 卌 卌 ||	~~22~~	29

Directors.

	* H. A. Baker	卌 ||||	9-16	25	25
	* Louis Bell	卌 卌 |	11-18	29	29
	* J. Busfield	卌 ||||	9-18	27	27
	* D. L. P. Chase	卌 卌 |	1-11-17	28	27
	* C. A. Coombs	卌 卌	10-16	26	28
F. C. Fitz.	* C H. Eastman	卌 卌 |	11-16	27	26
~~J. C.~~	~~[illegible] Fitz~~	~~|||~~			27
	* R. S. Hale	卌 ||||	9-15		
W.	* C. N. Hinman	卌 ||||	9-14	24	24
	* H. Hutchinson	卌 ||	7-16	25	25
	* J. E. Kelley	卌 卌 |	11-18	23	23
	~~Albert Lee~~	~~|~~		29	29
	* J. H. Lynch	卌 卌	10-17	27	27
	~~L. J. Mead~~	~~||||~~			
	* S. Merrill	卌 卌	10-14	26	26
	* N. C. Nash	卌 |||	8-18	26	26
	* A. Weidner	卌 |||	8-17	25	25
	* E. E. Patridge	卌 卌	10-17	27	27
	~~W. H. Ripley, Jr.~~	~~|||~~			
	~~George R. Russell.~~	~~卌 |~~			

* Old Board.

ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

OF THE

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

The Annual Meeting of the M. R. A., for the election of officers, and such other business as may properly come before it, will be held at Hotel Essex, Boston, on Tuesday, January 9, 1906, at 5.30 P. M.

Per order of the Directors,

G. H. BLAIR, Secretary.

Boston, January 1, 1906.

THE Annual Dinner of the Association will be given Tuesday, January 9, 1906, at Hotel Essex (Elevated to South Station). Dinner will be served at ***6.30 o'clock,*** at the close of the business meeting.

The business meeting is called one hour before the dinner to accommodate members who cannot stay for dinner, but the Committee hope to see a large number present, thereby showing continued interest in the old M. R. A. Come one, come all and bring some new ideas.

The price of dinner tickets to members will be $1.00 each, and members will be allowed to buy one guest ticket at $1.00, but more than one will be $1.50 each, as the dinner is to cost the Association $1.50 each plate.

The Committee request that notice be given ***at once,*** stating the number of tickets wanted, and a postal card properly addressed is enclosed for that purpose.

Prizes won during the year 1905 will be presented during the evening.

Evening dress is not customary at these dinners.

Members are requested to wear Association medals, not exceeding five.

The Committee will arrange plates for only the number of dinner tickets ordered as per above request.

J. E. LYNCH,
LOUIS BELL, } *Committee.*
G. H. BLAIR.

Boston Jan. 9. 1906.

The Annual Meeting of the Association was held this day at the ~~Essex House~~ (Hotel Essex)

The meeting was called to order shortly after 5.30 oclock with President Chase in the Chair.

The minutes of previous meeting were read by the Secretary and approved.

In the absence of the Treasurer and Statistical officer, their reports were read by the Secretary.

These reports were accepted (the Treasurer's subject to Auditor's Report) and placed on file.

The chair appointed Messrs Merrill Hinman and Lynch a Committee to distribute and count ballots.

The committee reported as follows.

Vice Presidents

Charles C. Foster

Herbert H. Fuck.

Secretary

George H. Blair

Treasurer

Sidney Gleason.

Board of Directors

H. A. Baker

Louis Bell.

James Busfield

D. L. H. Chase.

Chester A. Coombs

Chas. H. Eastman.

Chas W. Hinman

Harold Hutchinson

John E. Kelley

Jerome E. Lynch

T. J. Mead.

Samuel Merrill

Nathaniel C. Nash.

Adolph Niedner

Eugene E. Patridge

There being no further business to come before the meeting, it adjourned for the Annual Dinner.

G. H. Blair Secy M.R.A.

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.
OFFICIAL LIST of CANDIDATES, 1906.

To vote for a person, mark a cross X at the right of the name. Voters inserting names must mark a cross against each name so inserted.

Office / Candidate		Votes
VICE PRESIDENTS	Vote for two.	
Charles C. Foster	# # # # # # # # # # # # #	20
=Herbert E. Tuck	# # # # # # # # # # # # #	21
SECRETARY	Vote for one	
George H. Blair	# # # # # # # # # # # # #	21
TREASURER	Vote for one	
Sidney Gleason	# # # # # # # # # # # # # #	21
BOARD OF DIRECTORS	Vote for fifteen.	
*H. A. Baker	# # # # # # # # # # # # # #	18
*Louis Bell	# # # # # # # # # # # # # #	20
*James Busfield	# # # # # # # # # # # # #	19
*D. L. F. Chase	# # # # # # # # # # # # # #	20
*Chester A. Coombs	# # # # # # # # # # # #	19
*Charles H. Eastman	# # # # # # # # # # # #	18
Frederick C. Fitz	# # # # # # # # # # # # #	
Charles H. Herrick	# # # # # # # # # # # #	
*Charles W. Hinman	# # # # # # # # # # # #	19
*Harold Hutchinson	# # # # # # # # # # # #	19
Orwoll M. Jewell	# # # # # # # # # # # #	
*John E. Kelley	# # # # # # # # # # # #	19
Arthur S. Knight	# # # # # # # # # # # #	
*Jerome E. Lynch	# # # # # # # # # # # #	17
I. J. Mead	# # # # # # # # # # # # # #	18
*Samuel Merrill	# # # # # # # # # # # #	19
*Nathaniel C. Nash	# # # # # # # # # # # #	18
*Adolph Niedner	# # # # # # # # # # # # #	20
*Eugene E. Patridge	# # # # # # # # # # # #	21
John S. Sumner	# # # # # # # # # # # # #	

* old Board.

33 Diners present at Annual Dinner.

Jany. 8th 1907.

The Annual Meeting of the Massachusetts Rifle Associa was held this day at the United States Hotel.

The meeting was called to order shortly after 5.30 oclock with Pres. Chase in the Chair.

The minutes of the previous Annual Meeting were read by the Secretary and approved.

In the absence of the Treasurer and Statistical Officer their reports were read by the Secretary - approved accepted and placed on file.

The Chair appointed Messrs Merrill Harris and Tuck a committee to assort and count for the Election of Vice Presidents, Treasurer Secretary and Directors.

The Committee reported as follows.

Vice Presidents
Herbert E Tuck
Orwell M. Jewell
Secretary
G. H. Blair
Treasurer
Jerome E Lynch
Board of Directors

H. A. Baker — Chas W. Hinman
Louis Bell — John E Kelley.
James Busfield — I. J. Mead
D. L. F. Chase — Samuel Merrill
Chas H Eastman — Nath. C. Nash
Frederick C Fitz — Adolph Niedner
Charles C. Foster — Eugene E. Patridge
W. P. Thompson.

There being no other business the meeting adjourned for the Annual Dinner.

33 Diners present.

G. H. Blair Secy.

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.
OFFICIAL LIST OF CANDIDATES, 1907.

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VICE PRESIDENTS	Vote for two.	
Herbert E. Tuck..........	25	
Orwell M. Jewell.........	26	
SECRETARY	Vote for one.	
George H. Blair..........	27	
TREASURER	Vote for one.	
Jerome E. Lynch..........	26	
BOARD OF DIRECTORS	Vote for fifteen.	
— § H. A. Baker..............	25	
— § Louis Bell...............	27	
— § James Busfield...........	25	
— § D. L. F. Chase...........	27	
— § Charles H. Eastman.......	23	
— § Frederick C. Fitz........	26	
— Charles C. Foster........	19	
Edgar B. Hawkes..........	9	
Charles H. Herrick.......	6	
— § Charles W. Hinman........	26	
— § John E. Kelley...........	26	
Arthur S. Knight.........	3	
— § I. J. Mead...............	25	
— § Samuel Merrill...........	26	
— § Nathaniel C. Nash........	27	
— § Adolph Niedner...........	25	
— § Eugene E. Patridge.......	25	
W. S. Ripley, Jr.........	13	
John S. Sumner...........	3	
— W. P. Thompson...........	19	

§Old Board.

ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

OF THE

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

The Annual Meeting of the M. R. A., for the election of officers and such other business as may properly come before it, will be held at the United States Hotel, Boston, on Tuesday, January 14, 1908, at 5.30 P. M

Per order of the Directors,

G. H. BLAIR, Secretary.

Boston, January 6, 1908.

THE Annual Dinner of the Association will be given Tuesday, January 14, 1908, at the United States Hotel, Beach Street. Dinner will be served at ***6.30 o'clock***, at the close of the business meeting.

The business meeting is called one hour before the dinner to accommodate members who cannot stay for dinner, but the Committee hope to see a large number present, thereby showing continued interest in the old M. R. A.

The price of dinner tickets to members will be $1.00 each, and members will be allowed to buy one guest ticket at $1.00, but more than one will be $1.50 each, as the dinner is to cost the Association $1.50 each plate.

The Committee request that notice be given ***at once***, stating the number of tickets wanted, and a postal card properly addressed is enclosed for that purpose.

Prizes won during the year 1907 will be presented during the evening.

Evening dress is not customary at these dinners.

Members are requested to wear Association medals, not exceeding five.

The Committee will arrange plates for only the number of dinner tickets ordered as per above request.

J. E LYNCH,
LOUIS BELL,
G. H. BLAIR, } *Committee.*

Tuesday Jan. 14. 1908.

The Annual Meeting of the Massachusetts Rifle Assoc'n was held this day at the United States Hotel - beginning at about 6 o'clock P.M. President Chase in the Chair.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Secretary and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read by Treas. Lynch and approved.

In the absence of the Statistical officer - his report was read by the Secretary and approved.

The Chair appointed Messrs Harris Thompson and Tooker a committee to receive and count ballots. This committee reported as follows:

For Vice President:
Herbert E Tuck.
Orvall M. Jewell.
Secretary
G. H. Blair
Treasurer
Jerome E Lynch.
Board of Directors

H.A. Baker — Chas. W. Hinman
Louis Bell — John E Kelley
James L Busfield — J. J Mead
D.L.F. Chase — Sam. Merrill
Fred C Fitz — Nath. Clark
Charles C. Foster — Adolph Niedner
Edgar B Hawkes. — E E Patridge
W. P. Thompson.

The Meeting then adjourned for Dinner (The Annual Dinner)

(38 diners - including 12 Guests.)

G H Blair
Secy M.R.A.

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MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.
OFFICIAL LIST OF CANDIDATES, 1908.

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VICE PRESIDENTS	Vote for two.	
Herbert E. Tuck......	11	20
Orwell M. Jewell.....	111	19
SECRETARY	Vote for one.	
George H. Blair......	111	19
TREASURER	Vote for one.	
Jerome E. Lynch......	111	19
BOARD OF DIRECTORS	Vote for fifteen.	
H. A. Baker..........		19
Louis Bell...........		21
James Busfield.......		21
D. L. F. Chase.......		19
~~Charles R. Cross, Jr.~~		× 11
~~Charles H. Eastman...~~		× 5
Frederick C. Fitz....		19
Charles C. Foster....		19
Edgar B. Hawkes......		12
~~Charles H. Herrick...~~		× 7
Charles W. Hinman....		21
John E. Kelley.......		20
I. J. Mead...........		20
Samuel Merrill.......		19
Nathaniel C. Nash....		17
Adolph Niedner.......		20
Eugene E. Patridge...		20
~~W. S. Ripley, Jr.....~~		× 10
W. P. Thompson.......		21

Tuesday. Jan 12. 1909.

The Annual Meeting of the Mass Rifle Association was held this day at the United States Hotel. Pres. Chase in the Chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The report of Treasurer Lynch was read, accepted and placed on file.

The Statistical Officer's report did not appear, but would be included in the Annual Report.

The Chair appointed Messrs Merrill Pratt and Hawkes a committee to receive and count ballots. This committee reported as follows: Chosen—

For Vice Presidents
John S. Sumner.
W. M. Fawcett.

For Secretary
George H Blair.

For Treasurer.
Jerome E Lynch.

For Board of Directors.

H. A. Baker.	Edgar B. Hawkes.
Louis Bell.	Chas W. Hinman.
James Busfield.	John E. Kelley.
D. L. F. Chase.	Samuel Merrill.
Charles R. Cross Jr.	Nath. C. Nash.
Frederick C. Fitz.	Nath C Nash Jr.
Charles C. Foster.	Adolph Niedner.

Eugene E. Patridge.

The meeting then adjourned for the Annual Dinner.

G H Blair Sec.

24 Diners

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.
OFFICIAL LIST OF CANDIDATES 1909.

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VICE PRESIDENTS	Vote for two.
John S. Sumner........	17
W. M. Fawcett........	17

SECRETARY	Vote for one.
George H. Blair......	16

TREASURER	Vote for one.
Jerome E. Lynch......	16

BOARD OF DIRECTORS	Vote for fifteen.
~~William Almy~~.........	
H. A. Baker..........	18.
Louis Bell...........	21
James Busfield.......	20
D. L. F. Chase.......	19.
Charles R. Cross, Jr.	15
Frederick C. Fitz....	19
Charles C. Foster....	21
Edgar B. Hawkes......	19
Charles W. Hinman....	19
John E. Kelley.......	20
~~F. W. Mann~~...........	
~~L. J. Mead~~...........	
Samuel Merrill.......	20
Nathaniel C. Nash....	19
N. C. Nash, Jr.......	20
Adolph Niedner.......	20
Eugene E. Patridge...	19

Tuesday. Jan. 11th 1910.

The Annual Meeting of the M.R.A. was held this day at the United States Hotel, Pres Merrill in the Chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Report of Treasurer Lynch was read — accepted and placed on file

The Statistical Officer's report — not being in full for the year — was not submitted but will appear in the Annual Report.

On motion of Mr N.C. Nash Jr the Chair appointed Messrs Harris Hawkes and Pratt a committee to receive and count the ballots for the Election of Officers. This committee reported as follows

For Vice Presidents
John S. Sumner.
Frank W. Mann.
For Secretary
George H. Blair.
For Treasurer
Jerome E. Lynch.
Board of Directors

H. A. Baker	Edgar B. Hawkes.
Louis Bell.	Chas W. Hinman
James Busfield	John E. Kelley.
D. L. F. Chase.	Samuel Merrill
Charles H. Cross Jr.	N.C. Nash. Jr.
Frederick C. Fitz.	Adolph Niedner
Chas. C. Foster.	Eugene E. Patridge.

Chester B. Pratt.

The members then proceeded to the Annual Dinner (the report of the ~~nominating committee~~ committee to count ballots having been accepted and placed on file.)

D. L. F. Chase.......	16
Charles R. Cross, Jr.	X 16
Frederick C. Fitz....	X 13
Charles C. Foster....	X 17
Edgar B. Hawkes......	X 16
Charles W. Hinman....	— 15
John E. Kelley.......	— 15
I. J. Mead...........	X
Samuel Merrill.......	— 16
Nathaniel C. Nash....	X ~~18~~
N. C. Nash, Jr.......	X 18
Adolph Niedner.......	X 14
Eugene E. Patridge...	X 15
Chester B. Pratt.....	X 12

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VICE PRESIDENT:
John S.

Frank W

SECRETARY
George

TREASURER
Jerome

BOARD OF DIRECT
William

F. A. B

W. Ray

Louis Bell.......

James Busfield....... X 16

On motion of Dr Bell, the Association voted to send a Telegram extending the M.R.A's best wishes and high regards to the Mentor of the Association - Mr Salem Wilder.

On motion of Mr Chase, by a rising vote, the Secretary was instructed to communicate to Mr Eugene E. Patridge the deep sense of sorrow felt by the Members of the M.R.A on the death of their Esteemed fellow member - Mrs Sarah Elizabeth Patridge - Jan 9th 1910.

Adjourned

G H Blair Secy.

26 Diners (3 Guests included)

Tues. Jan. 10th 1911.

The Annual Meeting of the M.R.A. was held this day at the Boston City Club - 9 Beacon St Boston.

Pres. Merrill in the Chair.

The ~~Report~~ Minutes of last meeting read by the Secretary and approved.

The Report of Treasurer Lynch was read and accepted subject to the report of the Auditing Committee.

On motion of Dr. Foster the chair appointed Messrs Bell, Cross and Lynch a Committee to collect and count the ballots for officers for 1912. This committee reported as follows.

Vice Presidents

Frank W. Mann. - I. J. Mead.

Secretary

George H. Blair.

Treasurer

Jerome E. Lynch

Board of Directors.

Henry A. Baker.	Charles W. Hinman.
Louis Bell.	John E. Kelley.
James Busfield.	James H. Keough.
D. L. F. Chase.	Samuel Merrill.
Chas R. Cross Jr.	Nath. C. Nash Jr.
Frederick C. Fitz.	Adolph O. Niedner.
Charles C. Foster.	Eugene E. Patridge.
Chester B. Pratt.	

As proposed in the Supplementary Call issued Jan 5th 1911, the following amendment to the By-Laws was adopted:

Article IV. Section 5. insert after the word "Treasurer" in the fourth line, the words "Range Keeper" so that the Section shall read as follows:

"The Finance Committee shall have the

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.
OFFICIAL LIST OF CANDIDATES 1910.

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VICE PRESIDENTS	Vote for two.	
John S. Sumner.......	14	
Frank W. Mann........	14	
SECRETARY	Vote for one.	
George H. Blair......	14	
TREASURER	Vote for one.	
Jerome E. Lynch......	13.	
BOARD OF DIRECTORS	Vote for fifteen.	
William Almy.........	X	
P. A. Baker..........	X	15
W. Ray Baldwin.......	X	
Louis Bell...........	X	15
James Busfield.......	X	18

On motion of Dr Bell, the Association voted to send a Telegram extending the M.R.A's best wishes and high regards to the Mentor of the Association - Mr Salem Wilder.

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Adjourned.

G. H. Blair Sec.

26 Members (3 guests included)

Tues. Jan. 10th 1911.

The Annual Meeting of the M.R.A. was held this day at the Boston City Club - 9 Beacon St Boston.

Pres. Merrill in the Chair.

The ~~Report~~ Minutes of last meeting read by the Secretary and approved.

The Report of Treasurer Lynch was read and accepted subject to the report of the Auditing Committee.

On motion of Dr. Foster the chair appointed Messrs Bell, Cross and Lynch a Committee to collect and count the ballots for Officers for 1912. This committee reported as follows.

Vice Presidents
Frank W. Mann. - T. J. Mead.

Secretary
George H. Blair.

Treasurer
Jerome E. Lynch

Board of Directors.

Henry A. Baker. Charles W. Hinman.
Louis Bell. John E. Kelley.
James Busfield. James H. Keough.
D. C. A. Chase. Samuel Merrill.
Chas R. Cross Jr. Nath. C. Nash Jr.
Frederick C. Fitz. Adolph O. Niedner.
Charles C. Foster. Eugene E. Patridge.
Chester B. Pratt.

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"The Finance Committee shall have the

general supervision of the Finances of the Association. They shall from time to time examine the accounts of the Treasurer, Range Keeper, Statistical Officer, &c.

On motion of Dr Bell the Chair appointed Messrs. Bell Hinman Foster Lynch and Blair a committee of Ways and Means to consider the finances of the Association. This Committee was empowered to call a special meeting of the Association at its discretion.

The meeting assembled voted to include the President in this Committee.

The meeting then adjourned to dinner

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.
OFFICIAL LIST OF CANDIDATES 1911.

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VICE PRESIDENTS	Vote for two.	
Frank W. Mann........		17
I. J. Mead..........		18
SECRETARY	Vote for one.	
George H. Blair......		17
TREASURER	Vote for one.	
Jerome E. Lynch.....		17
BOARD OF DIRECTORS	Vote for fifteen.	
Henry A. Baker......		18
Louis Bell..........		17
James Busfield......		15
D. L. F. Chase......		17
Charles R. Cross, Jr.		14
Frederick C. Fitz...		16
Charles C. Foster...		17

19 dinners inc. 1 guest (J. Russell)

G H Blair
Sec. M.R.A.

~~Edgar B. Hawkes~~.....

Charles W. Hinman... ________ 13

~~Anton A. Mittl~~.....

~~Orwell M. Jewell~~....

John E. Kelley...... ________ 17

James H. Keough..... ________ 13

Samuel Merrill...... ________ 15

Nathaniel C.Nash,Jr. ________ 17

Adolph O. Niedner... ________ 17

Eugene E. Patridge.. ________ 16

Chester B. Pratt.... ________ 14

~~Herbert E. Tuck~~....

19 diners
inc. 1 guest
C. J. Russell.

G. H. Blair
Sec. M.K.A.

ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

OF THE

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

The Annual Meeting of the M. R. A., for the election of officers and such other business as may properly come before it, will be held at the Boston City Club, No. 9 Beacon Street, Boston, on Tuesday, January 10, 1911, at 5.30 P.M.

Per order of the Directors,

G. H. BLAIR, Secretary.

Boston, December 31, 1910.

THE Annual Dinner of the Association will be given Tuesday, January 10, 1911, at the Boston City Club, No. 9 Beacon Street, corner Somerset. Dinner will be served at ***6.30 o'clock,*** at the close of the business meeting.

The business meeting is called one hour before the dinner to accommodate members who cannot stay for dinner, but the Committee hope to see a large number present, thereby showing continued interest in the old M. R. A.

The Dinner will be for members only, without guests. Tickets $1.50 each.

The Committee request that notice be given ***at once,*** stating the number of tickets wanted, and a postal card properly addressed is enclosed for that purpose.

Evening dress is not customary at these dinners.

Members are requested to wear Association medals, not exceeding five.

The Committee will arrange plates for only the number of dinner tickets ordered as per above request.

J. E. LYNCH,
LOUIS BELL, *Committee.*
G. H. BLAIR,

To the Members of the Massachusetts Rifle Association:—

GENTLEMEN:—

This supplementary call for the Annual Meeting of the Association is issued with a view to urging a full attendance of members. The meeting will be held at the Boston City Club, 9 Beacon Street, corner of Somerset, Boston, on Tuesday, January 10th, 1911, at 5.30 P. M.

The Association is face to face with a serious problem. We own our Range property free from incumbrance.

This consists of 58 acres of land, with buildings, of an assessed valuation of $5,800.00.

But we have a floating indebtedness of $876.73, and under present conditions the debt would increase at the rate of $600 or $700 per year.

The subscriptions to the fund collected last summer, at the time when the Range was temporarily closed by injunction, amounted to $465.00, and this has been expended for necessary improvements and the general purposes of the Association.

Unless the income can be greatly augmented, ultimate closing of the Range seems inevitable. Many of us would keenly regret this alternative. Various means of increasing the income have been suggested, among them the following:

(A) Securing increased membership and increased activity of present members. This appears difficult in view of the popularity of golf, the automobile, and trap shooting.

(B) Increased dues from annual and life members alike. Forty-four annual members paid last year $138.00 in dues, life members being exempt. If annual dues were $10.00 instead of $3.00, and life members would voluntarily pay the same amount annually, the necessary revenue would be forthcoming, in case there were no decrease in membership.

Owing to the difficulty of reaching all life members, the addresses of many being unknown, a suggestion has been made that the Association be reorganized with a view to eliminating the class of life members; in which case the collection of dues would be simplified.

(C) The introduction of trap shooting has been suggested.

The suggestions as outlined above are tentative, and intended merely to facilitate a full discussion of ways and means at the annual meeting.

Unless some effective means are now taken to put the Association on a proper financial footing, it is to be expected that the indebtedness will increase, to the ultimate extinguishment of our capital.

The following proposed amendment to the By-Laws will be submitted for action:

Article IV, Section 5, insert after the word "Treasurer" in the fourth line, the words "Range Keeper," so that the section shall read as follows: "The Finance Committee shall have the general supervision of the finances of the Association. They shall, from time to time examine the accounts of the Treasurer, Range Keeper, Statistical Officer," etc.

By order of the Directors.

G. H. BLAIR, *Secretary*, M. R. A.

JANUARY 5th, 1911.

general supervision of the Finances of the Association. They shall from time to time examine the accounts of the Treasurer, Range Keeper, Statistical Officer, &c.

On motion of Dr Bell the Chair appointed Messrs. Bell Hinman Foster Lynch and Blair a committee of Ways and Means to consider the finances of the Association. This Committee was empowered to call a Special Meeting of the Association at its discretion.

The meeting assembled voted to include the President in this Committee.

The Meeting then adjourned to dinner.

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19 diners
inc. 1 guest
(J. Russell)

Walnut Hill Range
March 4th 1911.

A Special Meeting of the M.R.A. was held this day at the Range, pursuant to a call, a copy of which follows.

NOTICE

To the Members of the Massachusetts Rifle Association:—

At a special meeting of the Massachusetts Rifle Association, held at Walnut Hill Range, March 4, 1911, the following amendment to the By-Laws was adopted:

"There shall be three classes of members, viz.: Annual Members, Life Members and Sustaining Members. The Sustaining Members shall consist of such Annual Members as shall elect to pay ten dollars as annual dues, in lieu of the prescribed fee of three dollars, and such Life Members as shall pay annually a sustaining membership fee of ten dollars. Sustaining Members shall be entitled to a discount of fifty per cent from the rate charged to others in purchasing shooting tickets for their own use in all matches, or in hiring targets."

The Directors, in regular monthly meeting, April 4, 1911, voted:

"Any member shall be at liberty to give the privileges of the range to a guest by means of a guest's ticket; which ticket shall give the guest's name, and be signed by the member, and dated, the ticket to be good for one month. Guests may not shoot in medal or other prize matches, except in special matches by vote of the Prize and Match Committee. Shooting tickets and target hire for guests shall be at the rate charged to non-sustaining members, but on the day of the guest's first visit to the range the guest may shoot at the rate charged to his host.

"The prices of shooting tickets in the Association matches

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shall be as follows, subject to a discount of fifty per cent to Sustaining Members:

Match B—200-Yard Practice	30 cents
Match C— 50-Yard Practice	20 cents
Match D—200-Yard Sighting	30 cents
Match E—200-Yard Medal	50 cents
Match F—200-Yard Military Medal	50 cents
Match G— 50-Yard Pistol Medal	30 cents
Match L (or H)—Military Revolver Medal	30 cents
Match I—Shield Medal—Rifle	20 cents
Match J—Shield Medal—Pistol	15 cents
Match K—Long and Mid-Range Practice	40 cents

"The rates for target hire (minimum charge being for one hour), subject to a discount of fifty per cent to Sustaining Members, shall be:

Less than 200 yards	$1.00 per hour
200 to 600 yards, inclusive	1.50 per hour
800 yards and upwards	2.00 per hour

"Competition in Match E under military conditions shall be discontinued, and Eagle Badges shall be awarded under the regular conditions of Match F as follows:

Gold Eagle Badge for 10 scores of 46 or better.

Silver Eagle Badge for 10 scores of 42 or better.

Bronze Eagle Badge for 10 scores of 38 or better.

"The employment of scorers in practice matches at ranges of 200 yards and upward shall be discontinued in cases where such employment would involve additional expense to the Association.

"The reduced rate for shooting privileges shall be given to Sustaining Members only when the member can show by card that his sustaining membership fee for the calendar year then current has been paid, such card to be issued to him by the Treasurer."

Application of members for enrolment as Sustaining Members should be made to the Treasurer, J. E. Lynch, 26 Beach Street, Boston.

Blank guests' tickets will be furnished to members by the Secretary.

On Wednesday, April 19, 1911, there will be special matches at Walnut Hill, as follows:

1. Pistol and Revolver team match.

2. Thirty-shot Rifle match, 200 yards, offhand, Standard American target, for a prize cup. Military rifles will be allowed 3 points per score of 10 shots. Entry fee, $1.50.

3. Thirty-shot Pistol and Revolver match, 50 yards, for a prize cup. Military revolvers will be allowed 3 points per score of 10 shots. Entry fee, $1.00.

In matches 2 and 3, Sustaining Members will be allowed a discount of fifty per cent on entry fees.

George H. Blair, *Secretary*.

9 Montrose Street, Roxbury, April 10, 1911.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

To the Members of the Massachusetts Rifle Association:

A special meeting of this Association will be held at Walnut Hill Range on Saturday, March 4th, 1911, at 2 o'clock P. M., to consider the following amendments to the By-Laws:

To Article VI, on "Membership," add —

2. There shall be three classes of members, viz: Annual Members, Life Members, and Sustaining Members.

The Sustaining Members shall consist of such Annual Members who shall elect to pay Ten Dollars as annual dues in lieu of the prescribed fee of Three Dollars, and such Life Members as shall pay, annually, a sustaining fee of Ten Dollars. Sustaining Members shall be entitled to a discount of fifty per cent from the rates charged to others in purchasing shooting tickets for their own use, or in hiring targets.

In Article VIII, on "Meetings," in Section 2, change "Fifteen" to "Ten," so the section shall read:

2. Ten members present at a general or special meeting shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.

By order of the Board of Directors in special meeting, Saturday, February 25th.

G. H. Blair,
Secretary, M. R. A.

9 Montrose Street, Roxbury.

Walnut Hill Range.
March 4th 1911.

A Special Meeting of the M.R.A. was held this day at the Range, pursuant to a call - a copy of which follows.

Seventeen Members were present.

On Motion, duly seconded, it was unanimously voted to amend Article VI of the By-Laws by addition of the following Section:

Article VI Section 2.

There shall be three classes of Members viz: Annual Members, Life Members and Sustaining Members.

The Sustaining Members shall consist of such Annual Members as shall elect to pay Ten dollars as annual dues, in lieu of the prescribed fee of three dollars, and such Life Members as shall pay annually a Sustaining membership fee of ten dollars. Sustaining Members shall be entitled to a discount of fifty per cent from the rate charged to others in purchasing shooting tickets for their own use in all matches, or in hiring targets."

On Motion duly seconded it was unanimously voted to amend Article VIII Section 2. of the By-Laws by changing "Fifteen" to "Ten" so the section shall read

Article VIII Sect 2.

"Ten members present at a general or special meeting shall form a quorum for the transaction of business.

Adjourned

Louis Bell Sec pro tem.

Entered by

G H Blair

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Jany 9 – 1912.

The Annual Meeting of the M.R.A. was held this day at the Boston City-Club – 9 Beacon St.

President Merrill in the Chair.

The Minutes of the previous Annual meeting and also of the Special Meeting of March 4th ~~4th~~ 1911 were read by the Secretary and approved.

The Report of Treasurer Lynch was read accepted and placed on file.

The Report of the Treasurer as Statistical officer was read accepted & placed on file.

The Chair – on motion – appointed Messrs Patridge – Baker and Harris a Committee to receive and count ballots for Election of Officers for the year 1912.

This Committee reported as follows

For Vice President

Henry S. Harris — Sidney Gleason,

Secretary – George H. Blair

Treasurer – Jerome E. Lynch

Board of Directors

Henry A. Baker.	Charles W. Hinman
Louis Bell.	John E. Kelley
James Busfield	Franklin W. Mann.
D. L. F. Chase	Samuel Merrill.
Charles R. Cross Jr.	Nath. C. Nash Jr.
Frederick C. Fitz.	Adolph O. Niedner,
Charles C. Foster.	Eugene E. Patridge.

Chester B. Pratt.

The Meeting then adjourned to Dinner.

After Dinner – on motion of Mr Chase Voted: That it is the Sense of this Meeting that the Vice Presidents of the Association be asked to come to the monthly meetings of the Directors – to discuss subjects that may come up – but to have no vote in deciding questions.

Adj.

G. H. Blair Secy M.R.A.

18 Dinners inc. 1 Guest (Dr Minot)

Official

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.
OFFICIAL LIST OF CANDIDATES, 1912.

To vote for a person, mark a cross X at the right of the name. Voters inserting names must mark a cross against each name so inserted.

VICE PRESIDENTS — Vote for two.
- Henry S. Harris
- Sidney Gleason

SECRETARY — Vote for one.
- George H. Blair

TREASURER — Vote for one.
- Jerome E. Lynch

BOARD OF DIRECTORS — Vote for fifteen.
- Henry A. Baker
- Louis Bell
- James Busfield
- D. L. F. Chase
- Charles R. Cross, Jr.
- Frederick G. Fitz
- Charles C. Foster
- Charles W. Hinman
- ~~Anton A. Hittl~~
- ~~George L. Hosmer~~
- ~~Orvell M. Jewell~~
- John E. Kelley
- ~~James H. Keough~~
- Franklin W. Mann
- Samuel Merrill
- Nathaniel C. Nash, Jr.
- Adolph O. Niedner
- Eugene E. Patridge
- Chester B. Pratt
- ~~Herbert H. Tuck~~

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January 14th 1913.

The Annual Meeting of the M.R.A. was held this day at the Boston City-Club.
President Hinman in the Chair.
The Secretary's report and reading of the Minutes of last Meeting accepted.
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... Chase. C.R. Cross Jr
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read at the meeting. Adjourned.

G. H. Blair Secy.

16 Diners present.

ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

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MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

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Per order of the Directors,

G. H. BLAIR, Secretary,

62 Copeland St., Roxbury.

January 1, 1913.

THE Annual Dinner of the Association will be given Tuesday, January 14, 1913, at the Boston City Club, No. 9 Beacon Street, corner Somerset. Dinner will be served at ***6.30 o'clock,*** at the close of the business meeting.

The business meeting is called one hour before the dinner to accommodate members who cannot stay for dinner, but the committee hope to see a large number present, thereby showing continued interest in the old M. R. A.

Tickets $1.50 each, for members and guests.

The Committee request that notice be given ***at once,*** stating the number of tickets wanted, and a postal card properly addressed is enclosed for that purpose.

Evening dress is not customary at these dinners.

Members are requested to wear Association medals, not exceeding five.

The Committee will arrange plates for only the number of dinner tickets ordered as per above request.

J. E. LYNCH,
LOUIS BELL,
G. H. BLAIR, } *Committee*

January 14th 1913.

The Annual Meeting of the M.R.A. was held this day at the Boston City Club.

President Hinman in the Chair.

The Secretary's report and reading of the Minutes of last meeting accepted.

The Treasurer's Report was read - in absence of the Treasurer - by the Secretary and accepted subject to auditing.

Mr Merrill reported for the Range Committee.

The President appointed Messrs Baker and Harris to receive and count ballots for Election of Officers for 1913. This Committee reported as follows:

For Vice Presidents.

Henry L. Harris.

Daniel G. Fox.

For Secretary.

George H. Blair.

For Treasurer

Jerome E. Lynch.

For Directors. Henry A. Baker. Louis Bell. James Busfield. D. L. H. Chase. C. R. Cross Jr. Frederick C. Fitz. Chas. C. Foster. O. E. Gerrish. C. W. Hinman. Geo. L. Hosmer. J. E. Kelley. F. W. Mann. Sam'l Merrill. N. C. Nash Jr. A. O. Niedner. C. B. Pratt.

The Meeting then adjourned for the Annual Dinner.

After dinner on motion of Mr Chase the Secretary was instructed by vote to acknowledge the letter from Mr Patridge read at the meeting.

Adjourned.

G. H. Blair Sec.

16 Diners present.

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Massachusetts Rifle Association.

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VICE PRESIDENTS. VOTE FOR TWO.
HENRY S. HARRIS.
DANIEL G. FOX.

SECRETARY. VOTE FOR ONE.
GEORGE H. BLAIR.

TREASURER. VOTE FOR ONE.
JEROME E. LYNCH.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS. VOTE FOR FIFTEEN.
HENRY A. BAKER.
~~E. S. BECKFORD~~.
LOUIS BELL.
JAMES BUSFIELD.
D. L. F. CHASE.
C. R. CROSS, JR.
FRED'K C. FITZ.
C. C. FOSTER.
O. E. GERRISH.
C. W. HINMAN.
G. L. HOSMER.
J. E. KELLEY.
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F. W. MANN.
SAM'L MERRILL.
N. C. NASH, JR.
A. O. NIEDNER.
C. B. PRATT.

Jan. 13th 1914

The Annual Meeting of the M.R.A. was held this day at the Boston City Club, President Hinman in the Chair.
The Report of the Secretary was read and approved.
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Per order of the Directors,

G. H. BLAIR, Secretary,

62 Copeland St., Roxbury.

January 1, 1914.

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Tickets $1.50 each, for members and guests.

The Committee request that notice be given ***at once,*** stating the number of tickets wanted, and a postal card properly addressed is enclosed for that purpose.

Evening dress is not customary at these dinners.

Members are requested to wear Association medals, not exceeding five.

The Committee will arrange plates for only the number of dinner tickets ordered as per above request.

J. E. LYNCH,
LOUIS BELL,
G. H. BLAIR, } *Committee*

Jan. 13th 1914

The Annual Meeting of the M.R.A. was held this day at the Boston City Club.
President Hinman in the Chair.
The Report of the Secretary was read and approved.
The Report of the Treasurer was read and approved subject to auditing.
The President appointed Messrs. Chase Niedner and Hosmer, a committee to collect and count ballots ~~for~~ for Officers elected at Annual Meeting for 1914.
The Committee reported as follows.
For Vice Presidents.
Henry S. Harris.
William Almy.
For Secretary
George H. Blair.
For Treasurer
Jerome E. Lynch.
Board of Directors.

A. O. Niedner.	H. R. Marshall.
C. W. Hinman	D. L. F. Chase.
Fred. C. Fitz.	W. C. Nash. Jr.
F. W. Mann.	Louis Bell.
G. L. Hosmer	H. A. Baker.
Sam'l Merrill.	J. E. Kelley
C. B. Pratt.	James Duxfield.

C. C. Foster.

The Meeting then adjourned for the Annual Dinner.

17. Diners were present.

Record.

Massachusetts Rifle Association.

CANDIDATES, 1914.

VICE PRESIDENTS. VOTE FOR TWO.
HENRY S. HARRIS.
WILLIAM ALMY.

SECRETARY. VOTE FOR ONE.
GEORGE H. BLAIR.

TREASURER. VOTE FOR ONE.
JEROME E. LYNCH.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS. VOTE FOR FIFTEEN.

A. O. NIEDNER.	14
C. W. HINMAN.	13
FRED'K C. FITZ.	14
F. W. MANN.	14
G. L. HOSMER.	14
SAM'L MERRILL.	14
~~C. R.~~ CROSS, JR.	2
C. B. PRATT.	11
H. R. MARSHALL.	13
D. L. F. CHASE.	14
~~F. S.~~ BECKFORD.	1
N. C. NASH, JR.	14
LOUIS BELL.	13
HENRY A. BAKER.	14
J. E. KELLEY.	14
JAMES BUSFIELD.	13
C. C. FOSTER.	14
~~R. D.~~ WARREN.	3

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Jany. 12th 1915.

The Annual Meeting of the Mass. Rifle Association was held this day at the Boston City Club, 9 Beacon St. Boston.
President Hinman in the Chair.
The minutes of the previous meeting were

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...L. Bell.
...G. L. Hosmer.
...J. Busfield.
...J. E. Gerrish.
...C. B. Pratt.
...C. W. Hinman
...C. H. Means.

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...t. William H. Jackson.
Capt. Jackson was one of the founders of the M.R.A.; a charter member of Dec. 9th 1875, and a Life Member since 1876. He was an excellent rifle shot himself and an enthusiast in the Sport. His work in the early days of the purchase and laying out of Walnut Hill Range was invaluable to the association.
The Meeting then adjourned to Dinner, held in conjunction with the

ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

OF THE

Massachusetts Rifle Association

The Annual Meeting of the M. R. A., for the election of officers and such other business as may properly come before it, will be held at the Boston City Club, Boston, on Tuesday, January 12, 1915, at 5.30 P.M.

Per order of the Directors,

G. H. BLAIR, Secretary,

62 Copeland St., Roxbury.

JANUARY 1, 1915.

THE Annual Dinner of the Association will be given Tuesday, January 12, 1915, at the Boston City Club, (either at 9 Beacon Street or in the new building, corner Somerset Street and Ashburton Place). Dinner will be served at *6.30 o'clock,* at the close of the business meeting.

The business meeting is called one hour before the dinner to accommodate members who cannot stay for dinner, but the committee hope to see a large number present, thereby showing continued interest in the old M. R. A.

Tickets $1.50 each, for members and guests.

The Committee request that **notice be given at once, stating the number of tickets wanted. A postal card properly addressed is enclosed for that purpose.**

Evening dress is not customary at these dinners.

Members are requested to wear Association medals, not exceeding five.

The Committee will arrange plates for only the number of dinner tickets ordered as per above request.

J. E. LYNCH,
LOUIS BELL,
G. H. BLAIR, } *Committee*

Jany. 12th 1915.

The Annual Meeting of the Mass. Rifle Association was held this day at the Boston City Club, 9 Beacon St. Boston.

President Hinman in the Chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read and, by vote, accepted.

The President appointed Messrs Chase Niedner and Hosmer a committee to receive and count ballots for Officers elected at the Annual Meeting for 1915.

This Committee reported as follows:

For Vice Presidents:
Henry S. Harris.
Frank W. Mann.

For Secretary:
G. H. Blair.

For Treasurer.
J. E. Lynch.

For Directors:

J. E. Kelley	D. L. H. Chase.
C. C. Foster	L. Bell.
H. R. Marshall.	G. L. Hosmer.
L. Merrill.	J. Busfield.
H. A. Baker	O. E. Gerrish.
F. C. Fitz.	C. B. Pratt.
A. O. Niedner.	C. W. Hinman
	A. H. Means.

The Secretary was instructed by vote of the Meeting to enter upon the Records, notice of the death in 1914 of Capt. William H. Jackson.

Capt. Jackson was one of the founders of the M.R.A., a charter member of Dec. 9th 1875, and a Life Member since 1876. He was an excellent rifle shot himself and an enthusiast in the Sport. His work in the early days of the purchase and laying out of Walnut Hill Range was invaluable to the association.

The Meeting then adjourned to Dinner, held in conjunction with the

Boston Rifle and Revolver Club.
Seventeen members and guests of the B.R. & R.C. were present with Seventeen members and guests of the M.R.A.
Brigadier Gen. Philip Reade. U.S.A. Retired. guest of the B.R. & R.C. and Mr Elton Clark lately returned from a hunting trip in German East Africa, guest of the M.R.A. greatly entertained the meeting.

G. H. Blair
Sec M.R.A.

13 Ballots Official.

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

CANDIDATES - 1915

Mark chosen names with a cross at the right

VICE-PRESIDENTS:- Vote for Two
H. S. Harris -13
F. W. Mann -13

SECRETARY:- Vote for One
G. H. Blair -12

TREASURER:- Vote for One
J. E. Lynch -12

DIRECTORS:- Vote for Fifteen
J. E. Kelley -13
C. C. Foster -13
H. R. Marshall -13
S. Merrill -13
H. A. Baker -13
F. C. Fitz -13
A. O. Niedner -13
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L. Bell -13
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J. Busfield -13
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C. B. Pratt -13
C. W. Hinman -12
A. H. Means -12
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Members wishing to substitute other names for some of those in the list may write them at the bottom and mark with cross - 15 crosses in all for Directors.

CHARLES R. CROSS, JR.

The Massachusetts Rifle Association places upon its records this testimonial to the personal worth of one who for a considerable period was active in its affairs, and to the fidelity and intelligence with which for a number of years he performed the duties of Director and Counselor.

In time of peace keenly interested in the manly sports of the woods and fields, he excelled in marksmanship, as he did in every sphere of activity in which he engaged. In time of war, he was equally ready to bear a man's part in relieving the distress which war entails. Actuated by a high sense of duty, and unmindful of personal danger, he sought to aid, so far as lay in his power, in relieving the suffering of those wounded on the field of battle, and in the performance of this duty he sacrificed his life.

We who knew Charles R. Cross, Jr., in the friendly competitions of the rifle range pay tribute to the unselfish manliness which at all times distinguished him. Those whose sufferings were in some measure allayed by his self-sacrificing service in a foreign land without doubt pay the same tribute in even greater measure. All unite in mourning his untimely end.

O. E. Gerrish. S. Merrill.

A TRIBUTE OF RESPECT

The Members of the Massachusetts Rifle Association, assembled at their Annual Meeting on January eleventh, 1916, desire to place on record their sincere sorrow for the death of their esteemed friend and associate, Nathaniel C. Nash.

In years of membership Mr. Nash was one of our oldest associates, having joined the Association in 1883 as a life member. He was our President for two years, and a Director for several years.

During the early part of his membership he was a constant and enthusiastic attendant at the Range, was one of our best off-hand shots, and a winner of many valuable prizes. After attaining distinction as a target shooter, he became interested in big game hunting through companionship with others of our members who were experts in that noble sport, and proved the value of his target shooting experience by bringing down his game at the first opportunity.

He was naturally modest and retiring in manner, and always courteous and gentlemanly, which made him a most desirable companion and competitor in the many exciting matches of his day.

At one time he did the Association a valuable service by purchasing a considerable tract of land for the purpose of sqaring our boundaries and securing our right of way.

It has been a matter of regret that in late years Mr. Nash has been unable to share the pleasures of the Range with his fellow members, but those of us who knew him best are sure that the affairs of the Association and the memories of his old companions, many of whom have passed on before him, always had a warm place in his heart.

We desire that the Secretary shall send a copy of this tribute to the family of our departed friend.

Sec M.R.A.

Jan. 11th 1916.

The Fortieth Annual Meeting of the Mass Rifle Association was held this day at the Boston City Club. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. The Report of the Treasurer was also accepted.

President Hinman (in the Chair) appointed Messrs Chase Niedner and a committee to receive and count ballots for Officers elected at the Annual Meeting for 1916.

This Committee reported as follows.

Vice President.

Henry F. Harris — Frank W. Mann.

Secretary: G. H. Blair.

Treasurer: Jerome E. Lynch.

Directors.

H. A. Baker.	C. W. Hinman.
O. E. Gerrish.	S. Merrill.
J. Busfield.	C. R. Pratt.
Louis Bell.	C. C. Foster.
A. O. Niedner.	F. C. Fitz.
J. E. Kelley.	D. L. H. Chase.
H. R. Marshall.	G. R. Hosmer.

F. L. Bickford.

Vice President Henry F. Harris, who attended the First Annual Meeting of the M.R.A. January 11th 1876 and also each succeeding one including the present - January 11th 1916 - forty in all - gave a most interesting talk, after the Dinner, on his experiences and various doings of the Association during that time. Sixteen members and one guest were present.

For Committees appointed for the purpose at the Directors Meeting of Jany 4th, Mr Chase read a memorial to the late Nathaniel C. Nash, and Mr N. C. Nash Jr. read a memorial to the late Charles Robert Cross Jr. These were adopted by a standing vote and ordered to be placed upon the Records.

G. H. Blair
Sec. M.R.A.

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

CANDIDATES - 1916

Mark chosen names with a cross at the right

VICE-PRESIDENTS:- Vote for Two
H. S. Harris X
F. W. Mann X

SECRETARY:- Vote for One
G. H. Blair X

TREASURER:- Vote for One
J. E. Lynch X

DIRECTORS:- Vote for Fifteen
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C. W. Hinman X
O. E. Gerrish X
S. Merrill X
J. Busfield X
C. B. Pratt X
L. Bell X
C. C. Foster X
A. O. Niedner X
F. C. Fitz X
J. E. Kelley X
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H. R. Marshall X
G. L. Hosmer X
~~W. Kirkwood~~ X
F. S. Beesford

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ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

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62 Copeland St., Roxbury.

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MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Prize And Match Committee

Report for 1916

To the President and Directors:

During 1916, your Committee held the following matches with the results stated:-

MATCH	ENTRIES	WINNERS	SCORES	PRIZES
Washington's Birthday Luck Match	5	F. C. Fitz	2	$1.25
Memorial Day Small Bore Match	8	N.C.Nash, Jr.	187	Springfield cleaning bolt donated by A.O. Niedner
		J.E.Kelley	186	500 rounds 22 L. R.
June 10, 1916. Creedmoor Cup Match	3	F. C. Fitz	229	Creedmoor Cup
June 17, 1916. N. R. A. Medal Match	None			

Since so many of our members have already won the N. R. A. Medal, it is doubtful whether it is possible for the Association to furnish the ten entries necessary to procure the medal.

N. R. A. Small Bore Team Match

The Association entered a team in this match, and finished in seventh place out of 53 teams entered, and with a total score of 9,284 out of 10,000 possible. The team was 326 points behind the winner, which is an average of 32.6 per match, or 6.52 points per man per match. The following 10 members competed for places on the team, and those six, whose names are first mentioned, shot in all the matches.

Fennell	Nash	Baker
Gerrish	Niedner	Bennett
Kelley	Marshall	Hosmer
		Fitz

The high total average of 187.8 was scored by Nash. The high slow fire average of 97.1 was scored by Marshall. Kelley and Nash tied for high rapid fire average with 92.4 each.

MATCH	ENTRIES	WINNERS	SCORES	PRIZES
Victor Trophy Match	7	O. E. Gerrish	72	Victor Trophy
		C. B. Pratt	66	Ash tray donated by N.C. Nash, Jr.
Columbus Day Pistol Luck Match	2	Match not held.		
December 2, 1916. Turkey Shoot	3	No match held.		
December 30, 1916. Directors' Cup Match	5	A. O. Niedner	80	Cup

Directors' Medal Match

There being but 2 Directors eligible to win and anxious to shoot for this medal, and neither being able to compete on December 30, 1916, the Chairman of your Committee verbally authorized them to compete on the earliest possible day convenient to both.

A new match, the Military Qualification Match, has been added to the Association matches. The conditions closely follow those of the National Guard as recognized by the National Rifle Association, except that five medals are offered, three of which require scores better than the military requirement for expert, one coincides with said requirement, and one is less. The following scores have been turned in during the year:

G. L. Hosmer	230	Silver medal
O. E. Gerrish	228	Silver medal
L. Bell	223	Silver and bronze medal
W. E. Fennell	215	Silver and bronze medal
H. H. Bennett	212	Silver and bronze medal

The foregoing scores have also been reported to the National Rifle Association for expert qualification buttons.

From an inspection of the foregoing records, it is apparent that the interest of our members today leans toward the small bore and military classes of shooting. This is in accordance with tendencies shown all over the country. Since it is deemed inadvisable to permit the use of the military rifle at Walnut Hill by inexpert shooters, your Committee recommends that efforts be made to encourage the small bore shooting among all our members, and the military shooting by those of our members who have demonstrated their ability to shoot straight and take the necessary precautions.

For the Committee,

Nathaniel C. Nash Jr.
....
Chairman.

Comm. app at Sept. mtg.

October 4, 1916.

To the President and Members,
Massachusetts Rifle Association:-

Your Prize and Match Committee, to whom was referred the following suggestion:-

> "To take the Creedmoor trophy from the present annual match at two hundred yards, and offer it at five hundred yards - twenty shots - any rifle - any sights - any position - any ammunition."

reports, at the annual meeting, that the suggestion ought not to pass.

It appears to your Committee that this prize was won many years ago by a team of the M. R. A., of which President Hinman was a member, in a match at 200 yards, in the off-hand position, and that, in offering this trophy for competition annually among our members, the only restriction placed thereon was that it whould be "shot for annually at 200 yards".

Your Committee also believes that the proposed conditions at 500 yards involve an unnecessary duplication of annual championship trophies in long range shooting. There is the further consideration that, since more interest is at present taken in the 22-calibre shooting at 50 yards than at the long range shooting at 500 yards, it would be more fair to our members to offer this trophy for the miniature matches if any change is deemed necessary. Your Committee, however, feels that there is enough competition at 200 yards today to warrant the retention of the time-honored 200-yard championship match.

For the Committee,

Nathaniel C. Nash Jr.
....
Chairman.

January 9th 1917.

The Annual Meeting of the MRA was held this day at the Boston City Club.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved. Report of the Treasurer read and accepted. The Chairman of the Prize and Match Committee made a report on Matches for 1916 which was approved.

The Chairman of Prize and Match Committee (Mr N.C. Nash. Jr) also reported as requested by the Directors at their Sept (1916) Meeting on a proposition to change the Creedmoor Trophy from 200 Yards to 500 Yards. The Report was adverse to such change and was approved by the Meeting. Officers for 1917 were balloted for and Messrs Chase and Niedner (committee) reported the result.

For Vice Presidents
Henry F Harris
Fred. C Fitz.

For Secretary ——— G H Blair
" Treasurer ——— J. E. Lynch.

Directors

G L Hosmer	F. S Beckford.
D. L. F. Chase.	H. H. Bennett.
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J Busfield	H R Marshall
C. B. Pratt.	S. Merrill
O E Gerrish	Louis Bell

H. A. Baker.

For a Committee appointed at the Directors Meeting of Dec. 5th Mr Chase read a Memorial to the late Dr Frank W Mann which was adopted by a rising vote and ordered spread upon the records. A letter from Mr E. E. Patridge was read by the Secretary. The Meeting adj. to dinner.

(Present Messrs Hinman - Harris - Hodgkins. Beckford Chase Bennett. Kelley Niedner Nash Marshall Pratt Merrill Gerrish Brunell Heath Lynch Blair.)

G H Blair Sec.

16 members
1 guest.

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Quite a number of years ago Dr. Mann surprised the Association by an entirely unsolicited gift of a valuable machine-rest for testing rifles, and even went out to the range himself to assist in installing the machine properly. This machine-rest was the first and only one ever installed at the range, and as soon as its uses became understood, it was recognized as an indispensable part of our equipment.

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Treasurer.

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CANDIDATES, 1917

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F. C. Fitz-********** X

SECRETARY-------------Vote for One
G. H. Blair-********* X

TREASURER-------------Vote for One
J. E. Lynch-********* X

DIRECTORS---------Vote for Fifteen
G. L. Hosmer-******** X
F. S. Beckford-****** X
D. L. F. Chase-****** X
H. H. Bennett-******* X
C. C. Foster-******** X
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H. R. Marshall-****** X
C. B. Pratt-********* X
S. Merrill-********** X
O. E. Gerrish-******* X
Louis Doll-********** X
H. A. Baker-********* X

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S. Merrill-*********** X
D. L. F. Chase-******* X
C. B. Pratt-********** X
C. W. Hinman-********* X
M. R. Marshall-******* X
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Jany 4th 1919.

The Annual Meeting (43d) of the Mass Rifle Assocn was held this day at the City Club. Boston. The Secretary's Report was read and accepted. The Treasurers Report was read and accepted.

The Report of Messrs Kelley and Hosmer, a committee appointed by the President to count ballots for officers Elective at this meeting resulted as follows.

Vice Presidents.

H. S. Harris – F. C. Fitz.

Secretary.

G W Blair

Treasurer.

J. E. Lynch.

Directors.

F S Bickford	W. E. Fennell
A O Niedner	H R Marshall
J E Kelley	L G McAleer
G C Hosmer	S. Merrill
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Louis Bell	D L F Chase
H A Baker	C W Hinman

C. C. Foster

On motion of President Bell, a rising vote of thanks was tendered the Assocn's valued Treasurer, Mr J E Lynch, on the occasion of his thirteenth successive election to that post; expressing the Assocn's pleasure and profit in his many years incumbency and hoping he will remain in Office many years more.

Voted: that the yearly dues for sustaining members be continued at $5.00 for 1919 – as in 1918.

Fifteen members present at Annual Meeting 14 at Dinner. Bell. Niedner. Kelley. (Hosmer at meeting) Gerrish Fennell Beatey Merrill. Chase Hinman Blair Lynch Fitz Harris Getchell.

After business meeting Assocn adjourned to Dinner.

G W Blair

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M.R.A. Matches. Shot Season of 1918.

Creed ... Sp. ... 19. S. A. Target. 200 yards O.H.

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

CANDIDATES, 1919

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H. S. Harris
F. C. Fitz

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G. H. Blair

TREASURER ---------- Vote for One
J. E. Lynch

DIRECTORS -- Vote for Fifteen Only
DO NOT Mark with Crosses
ERASE 7 Names---Leave 15 Unmarked

F. S. Beckford
A. O. Niedner
J. E. Kelley
G. L. Hosmer
O. E. Gerrish
L. Bell
~~R. A. Wood~~
~~W. S. Gibbons~~
H. A. Baker
W. E. Fennell
H. R. Marshall
~~M. P. Partridge~~
L. F. McAleer
~~J. L. Bosley~~
S. Merrill
C. B. Pratt
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D. L. F. Chase
~~W. A. Natale~~
~~C. C. Bills~~
C. W. Hinman
C. C. Foster

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...	198	= 1015

... off tie with 30 shots
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August ... shot Match. Prone.
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... Match Sept 21st
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MRA Matches. Shot Season of 1918.

Creedmoor Cup. Shot April 19. S.A. Target. 200 yards O.H.

Niedner	74 - 75 - 76 = 225
Gerrish	80 - 62 - 66 = 208
Fitz.	68. - 59 - 75 = 202
Bills	51 - 57 - 53 = 161. (Shot 22 R.F.)

200 Yards 22 R.F. Rifle. G.R. Target. Prone

May 4 - June 29 Inclusive. Best Five to Count.

McAleer.	233 - 227 - 226 - 225 - 225 = 1136
Niedner -	229 - 229 - 226 - 226 - 226 = 1136.
Gerrish -	226 - 221 - 219 - 218 - 218 = 1102
Bennett.	219 - 219 - 218 - 216 - 211 = 1083
Kelley -	220 - 211 - 210 - 210 - 202 = 1053
Fennell -	213 - 212 - 211 - 197 - 193 = 1026
Fitz -	213 - 203 - 203 - 198 - 198 = 1015

July 27. McAleer & Niedner shot off tie with 30 shots each. McAleer 648. Niedner 627.

August 24. 100 yards 22 R.F. Rifle 30 shot Match. Prone.

Fennell	89 - 94 - 96 = 279
McAleer	92 - 92 - 94 = 278.
Gibbons	95 - 82 - 91 = 268
Gerrish	85 - 88 - 90 = 263
Niedner	80 - 86 — (Scope trouble)

Victor Trophy Match

1000 Yards - September 7th

Fennell	66 won on Rank.
Niedner	66
Pratt	62
Gerrish	60

Wakefield Cup Match Sept 21st

500 Yards prone - 10 in centre count 6.

Gerrish	104
Niedner	103
Fennell	101
Fitz	96.

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J. E. LYNCH,
LOUIS BELL,
G. H. BLAIR, } *Committee.*

December 2d - 1919.

A Special Meeting of the M.R.A. was held this day at 4 P.M. at the Boston City Club, having

Massachusetts Rifle Association

Notice of Special Meeting

In accordance with Article VIII of the by-laws, a Special Meeting of the Massachusetts Rifle Association is hereby called for Tuesday, December 2, 1919, at Room U, of the Boston City Club, corner of Somerset Street and Ashburton Place, at four o'clock P.M., to take action upon the following proposed amendments to the by-laws and to take such other action as may properly come before the meeting.

It is proposed to strike out the following paragraph, which was added to Article VI by vote of the Association on March 4, 1911.

> There shall be three classes of members, viz.: Annual Members, Life Members, and Sustaining Members. The Sustaining Members shall consist of such Annual Members as shall elect to pay $10 as annual dues in lieu of the prescribed fee of $3 and such Life Members as shall pay annually a sustaining membership fee of $10. Sustaining Members shall be entitled to a discount of 50 percent from the rate charged to others in purchasing shooting ticket for their own use in all matches or in hiring targets.

It is proposed to change the annual dues from $3 to $10 by amending Article VII, paragraph 3 so as to read as follows:

> The annual dues except for existing Life Members, who are exempt, shall be $10, payable in advance on the first day of January in each year and if the annual dues of any member shall remain unpaid for four months thereafter his membership shall cease and he cannot be reinstated except by vote of the Board of Directors and payment of all arrears to the Association.

It is proposed to terminate the granting of further Life Membership without affecting the rights of existing Life Members, by striking out Article VII, paragraph 4, which reads as follows:

> Any member can become a member for life by the payment in one sum of $25 and shall thereafter be exempt from all dues and assessments.

The foregoing propositions to amend these by-laws have been submitted in writing with the signatures of at least ten members of the Association proposing the same, to the Board of Directors; the Directors have considered them and have voted to submit them to the Association at its next meeting in accordance with Article IX of the by-laws.

G. H. BLAIR, *Secretary*,
62 Copleland Street, Roxbury.

Moved an amendment by Mr Harris that paragraph 4 of Article VII be retained with the words added: "No Life Member shall be elected after December 2d 1919." —

By unanimous vote Mr Harris amendment was

December 2d - 1919.

A Special Meeting of the MRA was held this day at 4 P.M. at the Boston City Club, having been called in accordance with the by-laws by the Directors at Meeting of November 4th - 1919. to consider proposed amendments to the by-laws as set forth in the notice duly sent out to MRA members.

Present: Messrs Bell ~~Bradford~~ Blair Harris Hinman Hosmer Kelly Lalley Merrill Nash. Miss Lamb would have been present at the meeting except for the rules of the City Club. Mr Nash voted by proxy for Miss Lamb.

By unanimous vote the following paragraph, which was added to Article VI of the by laws by vote of the Assoc'n on March 4th 1911, was struck out:

—"There shall be three classes of Members, viz: Annual members, Life Members, and Sustaining members. The Sustaining Members shall consist of such Annual Members as shall elect to pay $10.00 annual dues in lieu of the prescribed fee of $3. and such Life Members as shall pay annually a sustaining membership fee of $10. Sustaining Members shall be entitled to a discount of 50 per cent from the rate charged to others in purchasing shooting tickets for their own use in all matches and in hiring targets." ———

By unanimous vote Article VII paragraph 3 was amended (changing the annual dues from $3 to $10) as follows

—— "The Annual Dues, except for existing Life Members who are exempt, shall be $10. payable in advance on the first day of January in each year and if the Annual Dues of any member shall remain unpaid for four months thereafter his membership shall cease and he cannot be reinstated except by vote of the Board of Directors and payment of all arrears to the Assoc'n" —

Moved by Mr Nash to terminate the granting of further Life Membership without affecting the rights of existing Life Members, by striking out Article VII, paragraph 4, which reads as follows:

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Moved in amendment by Mr Harris that paragraph 4 of Article VII be retained with the words added: "— No Life Member shall be elected after December 2d - 1919." —

By unanimous vote Mr Harris's amendment was

adopted, so that Article VII, Paragraph 4. Reads as follows:
— "Any member can become a member for Life by the payment in one sum of $25. and shall thereafter be exempt from all dues and assessments. No life member shall be elected after December 2d 1919." —

Upon motion of Mr Nash seconded by Mr Hosmer it was voted unanimously that the Board of Directors be and hereby is instructed to make proper search and to take all necessary steps towards the securing or the establishing of a suitable indoor range within or in the vicinity of the City of Boston, convenient for the use of the members of this Association, and if upon the receipt by the Board of Directors of a petition or request that such a range be established, signed by sixty or more members of the Association, said Board of Directors by its President is hereby authorized and empowered to make, sign, seal or otherwise execute any and all contracts, leases, and other writings necessary or incident to the proper consummation of the contemplated transaction." —

The President was requested to appoint a Committee to arrange details for taking into the MRA. the members of the Boston Revolver Club.

Moved by Mr Hosmer that the Counsel for MRA (Mr Nash) be included in this Committee.

Moved by Maj. Hinman that President Bell be also included in this Committee. Pres. Bell appointed the following Committee: Bell, Nash, Hosmer, Kelley, Gerrish.

Adjourned. G H Blair Sec. MRA.

Jany. 13th 1920.

The Annual Meeting and Dinner of the Mass. Rifle Assocn. President Bell in the Chair when the business meeting was called to order.

The Secretary's report was read and accepted.
The Treasurer's report was read by Mr Merrill (in the absence of Treas. Lynch) and voted to be accepted after auditing.

The President appointed Messrs Kelley - McAleer and a committee to receive and count ballots for officers for the ensuing year.

This Committee reported the following election.

Vice Presidents.
H. F. Harris. F. C. Fitz.

Secretary
G. H. Blair

Treasurer.
G. L. Hosmer.

Directors.

H R Marshall.	W. S. Gibbons.
W. E. Frunell.	C. C. Foster.
C. G. Bills	F. S. Beckford
O. E. Gerrish	Louis Bell
A. O. Niedner	M. F. Partridge
J. E. Kelley	R. F. McAleer
J. L. Basky	C. W. Hinman

J. E. Lynch.

18 members were present at the Dinner. (Dr Bell G. L. Hosmer and J W Hodgkins at business meeting)

Mr Nash placed on exhibition a very handsome silver cup presented for competition among members of the MRA by the retiring Treasurer, Mr Lynch, and the Association voted to express its appreciation of his generosity.

Adjourned for the Annual Dinner. G H Blair Sec.

Mr Gerrish's report as Chairman of the Prize & Match Committee is on following page.

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

CANDIDATES, 1920

Vice Presidents ---- Vote for Two
H. S. Harris
F. C. Fitz

SECRETARY ---------- Vote for One
G. H. Blair

TREASURER ---------- Vote for One
C. L. Hosmer

DIRECTORS---Vote for Fifteen Only
DO NOT Mark with Crosses
ERASE Two Names

18 H. R. Marshall ....
~~C. L. Hosmer~~ ......
— 16 W. S. Gibbons ....
18 W. E. Fennell ....
~~R. F. Kendall~~ ....
16 C. C. Foster ....
— 16 C. C. Bills ....
17 F. S. Beckford ....
18 C. E. Gerrish ....
18 Louis Bell ....
17 A. C. Niedner ....
— 17 M. F. Partridge ....
17 J. E. Kelley ....
12 L. F. McAleer ....
— 12 J. L. Bastey ....
17 C. W. Hinman ....
9 ~~E. L. F. Chase~~ ....
17 J. E. Lynch ....

Official

MATCHES SHOT DURING 1919

APRIL 19 CREEDMOOR TROPHY

NIEDNER	76	72	69	217
BILLS	56	48	37	141
FITZ	57	DID NOT FINISH		
KELLEY	77	-	-	-

MAY 3 DIRECTORS MEDAL

MC ALEER	64
BECKFORD	62
FENNELL	60

JULY 5 AUGUST 2 22 RE-ENTRY 100 YARDS BEST FIVE SCORES

GIBBONS	491
GERRISH	489
MC ALEER	489
NIEDNER	486
FENNELL	480
FITZ	438
DARLING	DID NOT FINISH
KENDALL	- - -
BILLS	- - -

AUGUST 9 500 YARDS 10 in CENTER COUNTING 6

NIEDNER	52	51	103
GERRISH	49	46	95
BILLS	49	45	94
GIBBONS	45	47	92
FITZ	41	42	83
FENNELL	39	44	83

AUGUST 16 SAME AS AUGUST 9

GERRISH	49	53	102
FOX	51	50	101
BALCH	49	49	98
NIEDNER	49	48	97
GIBBONS	44	44	88

SEPTEMBER 6 VICTOR TROPHY 1000 YARDS

MEANS	72
GERRISH	69
BILLS	64
DARLING	64
NIEDNER	63
FENNELL	52
MC ALEER	47

SEPTEMBER 20 WAKEFIELD CUP 500 YARDS 10in CENTER COUNTING 6

GERRISH	54	55	109
NIEDNER	48	56	104
FENNELL	47	53	100
HASTEY	44	50	94
FOX	48	44	92
CLOUGH	43	46	89
NATALE	41	47	88
BILLS	45	38	83
BALCH	39	38	77

RE-ENTRY 200 YARDS S A TARGET PRONE ANY RIFLE ANY SIGHTS TO GET RATING FOR GOLD VICTORY MEDAL

THIS MATCH CLOSED JULY 1 1919

NIEDNER	99	97	96	95	95	94	94	93	92	92	947
GERRISH	98	96	95	95	94	94	92	91	91	91	937
GIBBONS	87	84	84	82	81	80	78	78	75	73	802
KELLEY	87	86	85	79	79	78	76	76	76	68	790

PRIZE & MATCH COMMITTEE O E GERRISH CHAIRMAN

ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

OF THE

Massachusetts Rifle Association

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Per order of the Directors,

G. H. BLAIR, Secretary,

62 Copeland St., Roxbury.

January 1, 1920.

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J. B. LYNCH,
LOUIS BELL, } Committee.
G. H. BLAIR,

Annual Meeting
January 11, 1921.

Place — Boston City Club.
In Chair — Vice Pres. Harris.
Present 20, 1 Guest — Balch, Bastey, Beckford, Bennett, Bill, Blair, Darling, Fennell, Fitz, Fox, Gerrish, Gibbons, Hinman, Kelley, Harris, Merrill, Nash, Partridge, Sippelle, Whipple, Mc.
Chas. H. Kelly was present as a guest.

Secy's Report — The Secretary's report was read and accepted.

Treas. Report — The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

Honorary Member — It was voted to make Adolph O. Niedner an Honorary Member.

Tellers — The following committee was appointed as tellers:
Gerrish, Chairman
Kelley
Hosmer

Hon. Life Dir. — The retiring Secretary, George H. Blair, was elected an Honorary Life Director.

Pres. Illness — The Secretary was instructed to express regrets of the Association at the President's illness, and the Association wishes to recover quickly his usual health and be with us once again.

The Tellers reported the election of officers for 1921 as follows:

Officers 1921
Vice-Presidents — S. Merrill, G. L. Hosmer.
Treasurer — W. L. Darling
Secretary — M. F. Partridge

Directors

J. J. Bastey	W. S. Gibbons
F. S. Beckford	C. W. Hinman
L. Bell	J. E. Kelley
H. H. Bennett	H. R. Marshall
C. G. Bills	E. S. Randall
W. E. Fennell	N. P. Sippelle
H. G. Fox	F. E. Whipple
O. E. Gerrish	

Dir. Meeting, Election of Pres. — The new Board of Directors met and elected W. E. Fennell as President for 1921.

January 11, 1921.

The new President took the chair.

Adjourned for the Annual Dinner
Malcolm F. Partridge
Secretary

Official Ballot

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.
Candidates 1921.

Vice-President - Vote for two. 21
S.Merrill ---------
G.L.Hosmer -------- 21

Treasurer - Vote for one.
W.L.Darling -------- 21

Secretary - Vote for one.
M.F.Partridge ------- 20

Directors - Vote for Fifteen only.
Erase one name.
Do not mark with crosses.

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*L.Bell
*H.H.Bennett
*C.G.Bills
*W.E.Fennell
D.G.Fox
*O.E.Gerrish
*W.S.Gibbons
*C.W.Hinman
*J.E.Kelley
*H.R.Marshall
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ANNUAL MEETING AND DINNER

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LOUIS BELL,
G. H. BLAIR, } *Committee.*

Massachusetts Rifle Association

RANGE AT WALNUT HILL, WOBURN, MASS.

George L. Hosmer, Treas.
Room 1-239 Mass. Institute of Technology
Cambridge 39, Mass.

Cambridge, Mass., ... 19

Directors' Match.
won by C. G. Bills – score 63.

Turkey Shoot – Nov. ?

1000-yard Trophy Match. Gerrish
Oct. 68

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500 yd. "Wakefield Cup" Match.

Sipprelle 105
Oct

Massachusetts Rifle Association

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George L. Hosmer, Treas.
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1920.

Treasurer's Cup Match
Feb. 23, 1920.
won by Mr. A. O. Niedner
score 1088.

Small-bore re-entry (100 yd) match.
June - July
won by { W. S. Gibbons - 1st prize - 492
A. O. Niedner - 2d. " - 492
O. E. Gerrish - 3d. " - 490
(Mr. Niedner made one score of 100)

Small bore match June 17.
won } { W. S. Gibbons - score 148
A. A. Balch - " 139

Military 200 yd. match June 26
won by O. E. Gerrish
score 49.

Special Meeting - Feb. 18, 1921.

Place: Exchange Building, 53 State St. Boston. Room 322.
In Chair: President Fennell. Called to order at 5:15 P.M.
Present: Baxter, Bills, Blair, Hailing, Davis, Fennell, Fox, Gerrish, Gibbons, Harris, Hinman, Marshall, Merrill, Nash, Partridge, Sipfelle & Whipple.

No minutes Read- Nash moved that the reading of minutes of last meeting be dispensed with. Passed.

Recess: Nash motioned a recess from 5:22 to 5:27. Passed.

Shooting Rates: Marshall moved that the rates for shooting be increased. Nash moved ammendment that Directors seriously consider the raising of the rates for shooting.

$1000 Raised by Mortgage: Davis motioned (sec. by Bills) to approve the action of the Board of Directors in regard to the following action taken at their meeting on January 28, viz:
"Voted to approve the proposal to raise $1000. for repairs by borrowing upon the note of the Association and to give as security a mortgage upon the land and buildings at Walnut Hill." It was a vote.
Nash doubted the vote and a standing vote resulted as follows: Yes 11 No 6.
Nash doubted the standing vote and each man was called by name with the following result:

— Yes —	— No. —
Whipple	Blair
Davis	Marshall
Baxter	Hinman
Fox	Harris
Sipfelle	Merrill
Hailing	Nash
Gibbons	
Gerrish	
Bills	
Fennell	
Partridge	
11	6

Passed 11-6

Finance & BD. to Secure Mortgage: Baxter motioned (sec. by Fox) that the Finance Committee and the Board of Directors be and are hereby authorized to make all the necessary arrangements to secure said loan to the best interests of the

Feb. 18, 1921.

Association, and to give the mortgage note and mortgage. Passed.

Pres. & Treas. to Sign Mortgage. F or motioned (sec. by Flair) that the President and Treasurer be and hereby are authorized to sign, seal, execute and deliver the mortgage note, mortgage and all other necessary papers. Passed.

Adjourned at 6:40 P.M.

Feb. 18, 1921.

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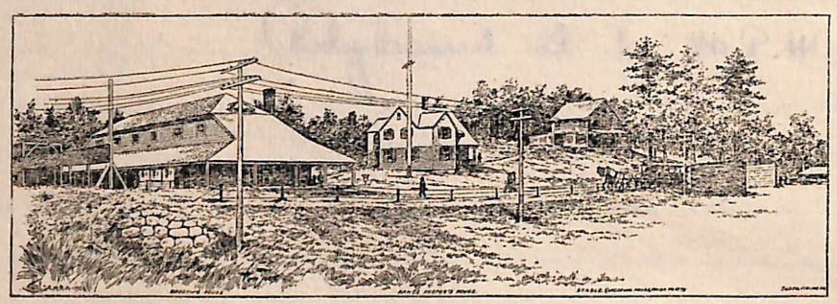
Pres. & Treas. to Sign Mortgage — Fox motioned (sec. by Davis) that the President and Treasurer be and hereby are authorized to sign, seal, execute and deliver the mortgage note, mortgage and all



THE MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Range at Walnut Hill, Massachusetts.

MALCOLM F. PARTRIDGE, *Secretary*,
104 Mt. Auburn St., Watertown, Mass.

WALLACE L. DARLING, *Treasurer*,
U. S. Custom House, Boston, Mass.

February 8, 1921.

Notice is hereby given that a special meeting of the members of the Massachusetts Rifle Association will be held at Room 322 Exchange Bldg., 53 State Street, Boston, at 5 p.m. on Friday, February 18, 1921 for the following purposes:

1. To consider and act upon a proposal to raise $1,000 for repairs by borrowing upon the note of the Association and to give as security a mortgage upon the land and buildings at Walnut Hill.

2. To authorize the Finance Committee and the Board of Directors to make all the necessary arrangements to secure the aforesaid loan to the best interests of the Association, and to give the mortgage note and mortgage.

3. To authorize the President and Treasurer to sign, seal, execute and deliver the mortgage note, mortgage and all other necessary papers.

4. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

Malcolm F. Partridge,
Secretary

Annual Meeting
January 10, 1922.

Place — Boston City Club. Called to order at 7:15 P.M.

In Chair — President Fennell.

Present 17 — Bell, Bennett, Binney, Beckford, Blair, Boyden, Davis, Darling, Fennell, Gerrish, Gibbons, Hinman, Kelley, Merrill, Partridge, Sipprelle and Southeo.

Minutes of last meeting — The minutes of last annual meeting and special meeting of February 18th read and accepted.

Reports — The report of the Secretary was read and accepted.
" " " Treasurer " " "
" " " Statistical Officer " " "
" " " Prize and Match Committee " "

Legislative Matters — Sipprelle to handle (Nash declined previous motion) legislative matters for current year. (Gerrish-Hinman) Passed

Tellers — The tellers reported the election of officers for 1922 as follows:

Vice-Presidents — S. Merrill, G. L. Hosmer.
Treasurer — W. L. Darling. ✓ ✓
Secretary — F. E. Whipple

= Directors =

H. H. Bennett ✓	W. E. Fennell ✓
John L. Basty ✓	W. S. Gibbons ✓ ✓
F. S. Beckford ✓	O. E. Gerrish ✓ ✓ ✓
C. G. Bills ✓	John E. Kelley ✓ ✓ ✓
Louis Bell ✓	W. P. Sipprelle ✓ ✓
H. G. Fox ✓	F. H. Southeo ✓ ✓
Fred Fitz ✓	E. W. Davis ✓
	~~C. W. Hinman~~

President for 1922. — The new Board of Directors met and reelected W. E. Fennell as President for 1922.

Adjourned at 9:45 P.M.
Henry M. Binney
Secretary pro tem.

Massachusetts Rifle Association,
ballot for officers for year 1932.

Check (x) 15 names only

SECRETARY

~~Malcolm F. Partridge~~

F E Whipple X

TREASURER

W L Darling X

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

H. H. Bennett X

John L. Dustey X

F. S. Bockford X

C. G. Bills X

Dr. Bell X

T. G. Fox X

Fred Pitts X

W. E. Fennell X

W. S. Gibbons X

O. E. Gorrish X

John E Kelley X

H. P. Sipprelle X

F. H. Souther X

~~John Kelley~~

~~Frank Whipple~~

~~C. L. Fesser~~

E N Doors X

C. W. Hinman X

Vice President

G. L. Hosmer X

Sam'l C Merrill X

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TION

Boston City Club . . . . . Tuesday, January 10th.

Room U 6:00 P. M.

Dinner $2.50

Mail reply card on or before January 8th.

Malcolm F. Partridge, *Secretary*

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

REPLY CARD

Mr. Malcolm F. Partridge,
104 Mt. Auburn Street,
Watertown 72,
Massachusetts.

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting & Dinner

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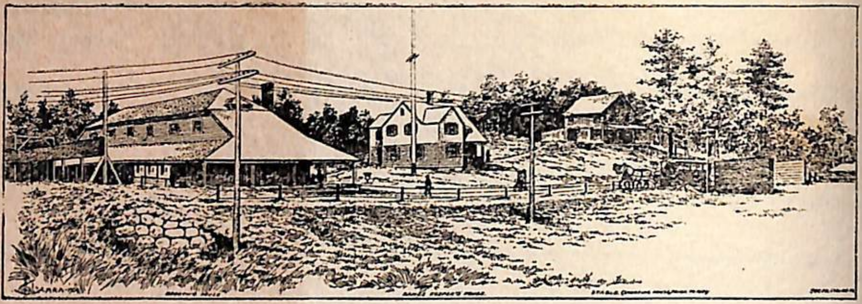

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U. S. Custom House, Boston, Mass.

RIFLE MATCH ---- August 20, 1921.

	600 Prone	500 Prone	200 Standing	Total
* 1. C. L. Cutting, Worcester	50	50	41	141
** 2. I. Langille Middlesex	45	49	43	137
*** 3. M. F. Partridge, M. R. A.	47	49	41	137
4. W. J. Murphy, Haverhill	49	46	41	136
5. P. R. Foss, Middlesex	42	48	43	133
6. W. L. Darling, M. R. A.	45	49	38	132
7. W. K. Queen, Needham	45	44	43	132
8. G. R. Harvey, Middlesex	46	46	39	131
9. W. S. Gibbons, M. R. A.	47	46	37	130
10. C. M. Wildes, Haverhill	45	45	39	129
11. D. G. Fox, Haverhill	43	44	38	125
12. A. I. Stover, Middlesex	41	46	37	124
13. D. M. Stewart, Stoneham	43	41	40	124
14. O. E. Gerrish, M. R. A.	37	45	40	122
15. W. E. Fennell, M. R. A.	42	39	36	117
16. A. A. Balch, Haverhill	39	39	36	114
17. H. M. Binney, Boston	33	36	41	110
18. F. E. Whipple, M. R. A.	33	36	34	103
19. C. S. Bostwick, Boston	38	40		
20. J. L. Bastey, M. R. A.				
21. G. F. Hoffman, New York				

* Gold medal. ** Silver medal. *** Bronze medal.

RANGE OFFICERS

600 yards --- R. J. Thanisch, Middlesex
500 " --- J. E. Parker, Gloucester
200 " --- A. I. Hunting, Worcester

Another match open to all will undoubtedly be held next October

Matches open to Members only.

Oct. 1.	Victory Trophy	1000 yards
" 15.	Wakefield Cup	500 "

Oct. 15

Wakefield Cup Match 500 yards 10 inch white center counting 6

1. M. F. Partridge
   6-6-5-6-6-6-6-6-6-4=57
   6-5-6-6-6-6-6-6-6-6=59 Total 116
   Prize, Wakefield Cup (to be held one year)

2.	O. E. Gerrish	112
3.	Dr. J. L. Bastey	109
4.	W. E. Fennell	107
5.	N. P. Sipprelle	100
6.	H. H. Bennett	95
7.	H. M. Binney	90
8.	W. S. Gibbons	88
9.	F. E. Whipple	78
10.	C. G. Bills	60

Regular Army Qualification

Three members shot the regular army qualification course with the following result:

Dr. John L. Bastey	299	Expert
M. F. Partridge	296	"
W. S. Gibbons	290	Sharpshooter

Five members of the Massachusetts Civilian Rifle Team shot the qualification course on our range and report of same was forwarded to the War Department under our name.

Automatic Pistol Match Medals
National Match Course Re-entry 5 tickets

Dr. J. L. Bastey	1370	Gold medal
W. L. Darling	1368	" "
W. E. Fennell	1301	Silver "
M. F. Partridge	1282	Bronze & Silver Medal
H. R. Brunton	1272	" " "
C. G. Bills		" " "
E. W. Davis	1233	Bronze Medal

Open Rifle Match August 20th

Complete scores on sheet attached to this report.

Respectfully submitted,

O. E. Gerrish
....
Chairman, Prize & Match Committee.

REPORT OF PRIZE AND MATCH COMMITTEE

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March 22 - July 1

.45 Automatic Pistol Match (National Match conditions)

1. Dr. John L. Bastey 282, 279, 278, 277, 272 Total 1388
   Prize, Bronze Victory Medal.

2. Harry R. Marshall 1352
3. Wallace L. Darling 1301
4. N. C. Nash, Jr. 1268

Small Bore Match, 100 yards

1. Walter S. Gibbons
   100, 100, 99, 98, 98, 98, 98, 97, 97, 97 Total
   Prize, Bronze Victory Medal.

2. Henry M. Binney 942
3. O. E. Gerrish 184

April 19

Creedmoor Trophy Match 200 yards

1. N. P. Sipprelle
   6-6-9-10-9-7-7-9-7-5=75
   4-6-6-4-10-6-7-8-4-7=62
   10-6-3-5-5-7-8-10-9-5=68 Total 205
   Prize, Creedmoor Trophy (to be held one year)

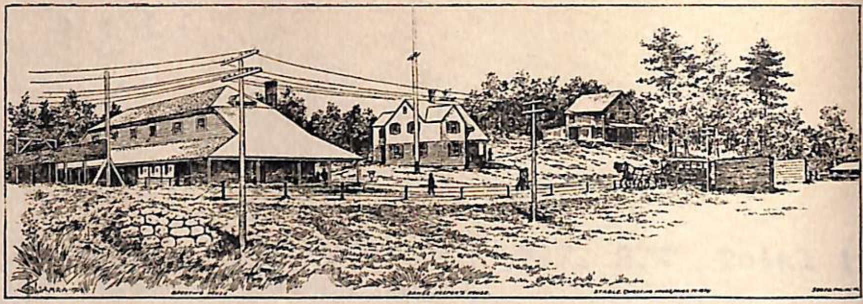
2. L. H. Clough 204
3. W. L. Darling 189
4. F. E. Whipple 175
5. H. M. Binney 166

Oct. 1

Victory Trophy Match 1000 yards

1. Dr. J. L. Bastey
   5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5-5=75
   5-4
   Prize, Victory Trophy (to be held for one year)

2. W. S. Gibbons 74
3. M. F. Partridge 72
4. H. M. Binney 69
5. W. E. Fennell 68
6. O. E. Gerrish 52
   Also shot:
   C. G. Bills
   N. P. Sipprelle
   F. E. Whipple



THE MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Range at Walnut Hill, Massachusetts.

MALCOLM F. PARTRIDGE, *Secretary*,
104 Mt. Auburn St., Watertown, Mass.

WALLACE L. DARLING, *Treasurer*,
U. S. Custom House, Boston, Mass.

Members signed the range book "S" (subscribers) as follows:

	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Tota
Rifle	16	21	8	10	34	x	6	95
Small Bore	14	5	x	x	x	x	x	19
Pistol	4	11	7	10	11	x	3	46
								160

Due to the neglect of the Rangekeeper some members u the range without signing their names in the range book. T fore the above statistics are not absolutely correct. How they show at a glance that the new system of range fees has a substantial profit for the club, and the same system shou be used during the season of 1922.

Receipts from matches were as follows:

Colt Automatic Pistol Match	Dr.	?
100 yd Small Bore Match	Dr.	?
Open Shoot -- August 20	Dr.	?
	Cr.	?
Pistol (automatic) Medal Match	Dr.	4

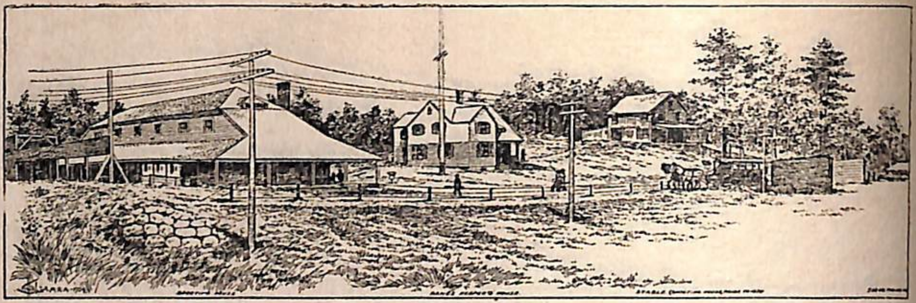
Other receipts:
Shells and clay pigeons 5.75

Other disbursements:
Rangekeeper 90.00

Respectfully submitted,

Malcolm F. Partridge

Malcolm F. Partridge
STATISTICAL OFFICER



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REPORT OF STATISTICAL OFFICER FOR 1921

To the President and Members,
Massachusetts Rifle Association.

On June 11th a new system of range fees was put in effect. The details of this system is posted on the bulletin board at Walnut Hill and is known by the active shooting members and therefore I will not repeat same in this report.

Dr.

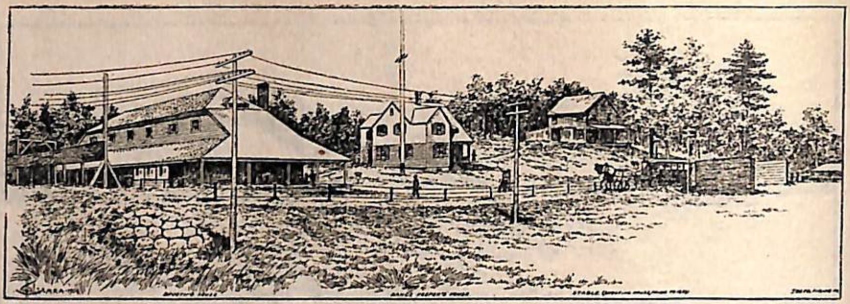
Shooting fees:		
16 Subscriptions	78.00	
Rifle range	48.00	
Small Bore range	3.50	
Pistol range	10.50	
Traps	5.00	
Marking	39.50	184.50

Cr.

Markers		33.75
	Net profit	150.75

The shooting fees were received as per following schedule:

	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
Rifle	15.50	23.00	7.00	.50	1.50	.50	x	48.00
S. B.	2.50	x	x	x	1.00	x	x	3.50
Pistol	1.00	4.00	.50	1.00	2.00	2.00	x	10.50
Traps	1.50	x	x	1.00	2.00	,50	x	5.00
Marking	5.50	2.00	2.00	5.00	17.50	4.50	3.00	39.50
Markers	7.75	6.75	4.00	6.75	8.50	x	x	33.75



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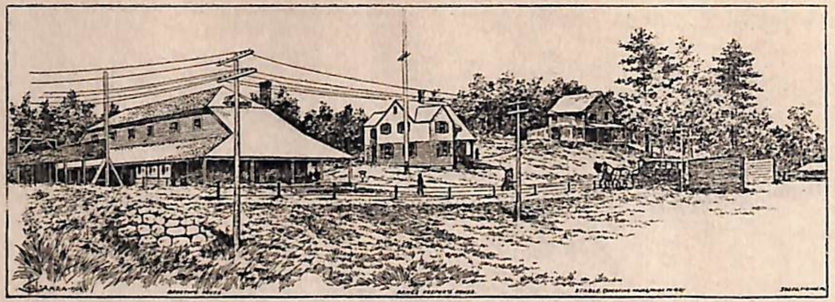
of the range starting March 1st.

Respectfully submitted,

Malcolm F. Partridge

Malcolm F. Partridge,
SECRETARY.



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Report of the Secretary 1921

To the President and Members,
Massachusetts Rifle Association.

Membership statistics

1920		1921		
Annual Members	59	Annual Members		47
Life Members	36	Life Members		35
	95	Honorary Members		2
				84
		Dropped	9	
		Resigned	8	
		Died	2	
			19	
		New	6	
		Honorary	2	8
		Net Loss		11

A. O. Niedner and J. E. Lynch were elected Honorary Members. G. H. Blair was elected an Honorary Life Director.

The Association was affiliated during 1921 with the National Rifle Association and the New England Rifle & Pistol Association.

The Massachusetts Civilian Rifle Team used the range for try-outs for the National Matches.

A $1000 mortgage was taken to secure funds with which to repair the range.

Ordnance stores consisting of ammunition, targets, etc. were issued to the Association by the War Department gratis.

A new rangekeeper, Mr. Henry M. Binney, will have charge

Dinner $2.50

Mail reply card on or before January 8th.

Malcolm F. Partridge, *Secretary*

Annual Meeting
Jan 9 - 1923

Place: Boston City Club called to order 6 P.M.

In Chair: Pres Fennell

Present 15: Bennett Dr. Bastey, Binney, Coleman, Blair, Darling Davis Fennell Gibbons Curish Jones Kelley Merrill Sippelle Whipple

Minutes Last Meeting: The minutes of last Annual Meeting was omitted on account of record book not being at hand

Reports: Report of the Secretary
Treasurer
Statistical
Prize & Match committees
was read and accepted

Finance Committee
had nothing to report

Tellers: The Tellers reported the election of officers for 1923 as follows

Vice President - S. Merrill, E. L. Hosmer
Treasurer - W. L. Darling
Secretary - E. H. Davis

— Directors —

Bennett	Fennell
Bastey	Gibbons
Beckford	Curish
Bills	Kelley
Fort	Sippelle
Fitz	Souther
Binney	Coleman
Whipple	

President - The new Board of Directors met and elected J. E. Kelley President for 1923

adjourned at 7.10 P.M.

F. E. Whipple
Sec

OFFICIAL BALLOT
M R A 1923

VICE PRESIDENTS
VOTE FOR TWO

X S MERRILL
X G L HOSMER

TREASURER

X W L DARLING

SECRETERY

X E W DAVIS

DIRECTORS
VOTE FOR FIFTEEN

X H H BENNETT
X J L BASTEY
X F S BECKFORD
X C G BILLS
~~LOUIS [illegible]~~
X D G FOX
X FRED FITZ
X W E FENNELL
X W S GIBBONS
X O E GERRISH
X J E KELLEY
X N P SIPPRELLE
X F H SOUTHER
X F E WHIPPLE
X C H COLEMAN
X ~~[illegible] JONES~~
X H M BINNEY
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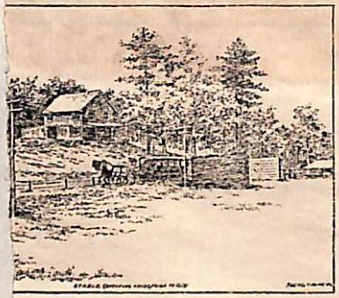

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104 Mt. Auburn St., Watert...

...ACE L. DARLING, *Treasurer*,
Custom House, Boston, Mass.

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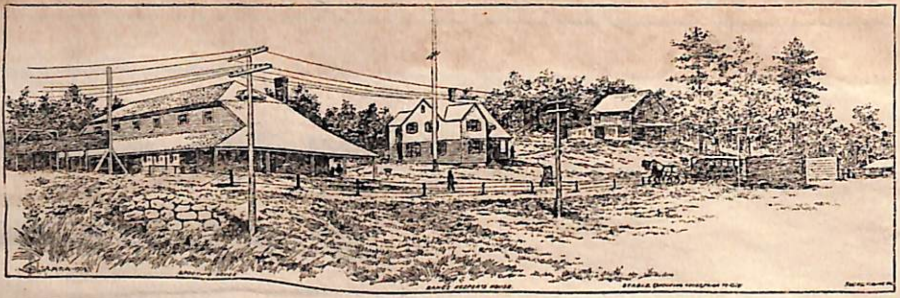
Life "		"
Honorary "		...rary "



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REPORT of the SECRETARY - 1922
to the
President and Members
of the
MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

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MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS.

1921

Annual Members	47
Life "	35
Honorary "	2
	84

1922

Annual Members	45
Life "	32
Honorary "	2
	79
Dropped	1
Resigned	4
Died	3
	8
New	3
Net Loss	5

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The Association was affiliated during 1922 with the National Rifle Association. Ordnance stores, consisting of ammunitio Targets, etc., were issued to the Association by the War Department gratis.

Sunday shooting was indulged in to a considerable extent the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary.

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR 1922.

RECEIPTS
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Dues for 1922	$420.00
" " 1923	20.00
Range receipts	56.30
Interest on deposits	4.15
Cutter & Wood Supply Co. (Refund on bill)	1.50
Boston Rifle & Revolver Club (Freight on targets)	7.61
Balance from 1921	342.62
	$852.18

EXPENDITURES
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Treasurer's expenses		$18.20
Secretary's "		5.25
Range Keeper		11.19
Maintenance		269.64
Insurance		61.50
National Rifle Association		10.00
Bond (Gov't. supplies)		3.00
Medals		20.27
Targets		50.31
Counsel (Expenses)		5.56
Flowers (Maj. Hinman)		10.00
Freight & express charges on supplies		13.05
Taxes		208.80
Pistol cartridges (45 auto.)2 cases @ $29.00		58.00
Interest on mortgage		65.00
		$809.77
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1923	$7.61	
Cash in bank " " "	34.80	
	$42.41	42.41
		$852.18

Examined and found correct

M. L. Lippmell [signature]

J. E. Gerrish [signature]

Auditing Committee.

[signature]

Treasurer.

Jan 9, 1923.

Report of Match Officer for year Ending Dec 1922.

During the year just passed we held seven matches at Walnut Hill.

Beginning with the Creedmor Match on April 19th in which five members took part the following matches were held.

April 19th Creedmor Match Won by Mr. Fitz. Score

Aug 6th Special All Range Match
Won by Gerrish and Binney
Score 1071

This match consisted of 20 shots prone or rest at 200 yds, 2 five shot scores rapid fire any rifle on silhouette target at 100yds, and 2 strings of five targets at the traps.

Aug 13th 200 yd special match small bore
Won by Gerrish and Binney
Score 876

Aug 20th 200 yd special match small bore
Won by Gibbons and Bennet
Score 870

Sept 3rd 200 yd special match small bore
Won by Fennell and Bills
Score 850

Oct 7th Victory Trophy Match, in a cold drizzling rain
Won by Dr. J. L. Bastey
(Possible)Score 75

Oct 12th Wakefield Trophy Match Won By Dr. Bastey Score 111

Oct 14th President's Cup Match won by Dr. Bastey Score 87

In conclusion I might state that the month of Octber at the Rage was very successful from the point of attendance 12 members taking part in the Wakefield Cup Match and eight members in the Presidents Match.

Respectfully submitted.

J E Gerrish

January 9th 1923.

Report of the Statisical Officer for the year ending Dec 1922.

Matches held	8
Shooter using the Range	287
Days in Use	83
Average Attendance	3
Largest Attendance on any one day	20
visitors using range	17

Receipts from Range		
Small Bore		$13.50
Rifle Range		42.50
Annual Fees paif to Treasurer		55.
Sale of Clay pigeons		1.90
For Marking Service		68.50
Pistol Range		27.50
Medal Tickets		22.80
Total Receipts		220.70
Range Expenses		
Markers	127.50	
Range Keeper 5 shooting days	15.00	
Supplies and Express	23.68	
Total Expenses		166.18
Net Receipts		54.52

Respectfully submitted.

Henry M. Binney

Statisical Officer.

THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

REPLY CARD

HARRY H. BENNETT

142 Portland Street

Boston, Mass.

The Annual Dinner and Election of the Massachusetts Rifle Association will be held in Room O at the Boston City Club, on Tuesday, January 9th, 1923. Election at 6; Beefsteak dinner at 6.30, — and the price is $2.50.

Please reply on the attached card in order that reservations may be made, and try to bring a prospective member as a guest.

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THE MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Range at Walnut Hill, Massachusetts

EDGAR W. DAVIS, *Secretary,*
2 Westacott Court, Cambridge

WALLACE L. DARLING, *Treasurer,*
Custom House, Boston

Jan. 21, 1924.

To the President, Board of Directors and Members of the Mass. Rifle Association, Sirs:-

Following is the annual report of your secretary for 1923.

Membership statistics for 1923.
Resigned 3
Died 1
Total loss 4
New members, 7 a net gain of 3. In 1922 we had 79 members. At the close of 1923 our membership stands: life members 29, annual members 53, a total of 82.

On June 22 the resignation of W. L. Darling as treasurer was accepted. Charles H. Coleman was elected to succeed him. The association was sorry to lose services of Mr. Darling as treasurer, which position he long filled ably, but also find in Mr. Coleman one especially fitted to fill this position.

Since about the first of August Mr. Lee has been range keeper at Walnut Hill succeeding Mr. Binney. Mr. Lee has been quite satisfactory in this position.

The association has as usual received ordnance supplies from the War Department consisting of ammunition and target material.

There has been a number of interesting matches at the Hill this past season and the boys have enjoyed themselves Sundays in an orderly manner.

Respectfully submitted
Edgar W. Davis
Sec. M.R.A.

Jany 22 1924
Meeting called by Pres Kelley.
Treasurer report read
~~It was moved and seconded that the report be accepted~~
It was suggested that a set of [illegible] be bought — left to Range Com.
~~[illegible]~~
Secretary's letter read and accepted
Election of Officers
Vice Pres
S. Merrill
H. S. Harris
Secretary
W L Darling
Treas.
C H Coleman
Directors
Bosley
Bradford
Dermott
Bills
Brunton

Adjourned at 6 [illegible] p.m.

Mr Harris spoke about the early days of the M.R.A.
It was voted that he get facts for the 50th annv.
Mr Gibson spoke about [illegible] 45-70.
Dr Bastey
Capt [illegible]

Directors Meeting
C G Bills elected Pres.
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N P Suppiles Committee
Gibbons Executive

Vacating [illegible]

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the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
F. E. Whipple
Secretary.

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Custom House, Boston

TREASURER'S REPORT
YEAR 1923.

RECEIPTS.

Balance from 1922.	$ 42.41
Dues	465.00
Cartridges .45 cal. sold	63.00
Shooting fees	175.61
Medal tickets sold	87.50
Accounting from H. M. Binney	66.65
MATCHES	
Prizes given by Mrs. W. S. Gibbons	31.75
Prize given by Dr. J. L. Bastey	12.00
Victory Trophy	17.50
Wakefield Cup	14.00
Prize given by C. G. Bills -Miss and Out-	10.50
M. R. A. Miss and Out Match	3.50
	$989.42

EXPENDITURES.

Taxes	185.60
Maintainance and supplies	119.12
Mortgage interest	65.00
Insurance	61.50
Medals	60.33
Postage	1.00
Printing and stationery	45.00
Re-affiliation with N. R. A.	10.00
Services of H. M. Binney	31.83
Targets	51.25
Counsel fees	5.20
Prize cups	10.95
Flowers to Dr. Louis Bell	5.00
Bond on U. S. Property	3.00
Freight charges on ammunition	24.68
Services of markers	44.00
	$723.46
Balance on deposit in Boylston Nat'l Bank	$265.96
	$989.42

Chas H. Coleman
Treasurer.

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Custom House, Boston

ANNUAL MEETING HELD JANUARY 22, 1924. AT CRAWFORD HOUSE, BOSTON.

Meeting called to order by President John E. Kelley.
The report of the Secretary Mr. Edgar W. Davis was read by Mr. Coleman to whom it had been sent. It was moved and seconded that the report be accepted.
The report of the Treasurer was read. It was moved and seconded that report be accepted.
The following election then took place.
For Vice Presidents
Samuel Merrill
H. S. Harris
For Secretary
W. L. Darling
For Treasurer
C. H. Coleman
For Directors
J. L. Bastey
F. S. Beckford
H. H. Bennett
C. G. Bills
B. R. Brunton
Meeting adjourned at 6. 40 p. m.

DIRECTORSMEETING FOLLOWING THE ANNUAL MEETING

It was moved that the Directors elect a President.
C. G. Bills was elected President.
Further elections
For Counselor
N. P. Sipprelle
For Executive Officer
W. S. Gibbons
The following applications for membership were voted on and accepted.
Robert S. Lunt Jr.
218 Mill St.
Newtonville, Mass.
Wm. Thomas Abbott
25 Baltimore St.
Lynn, Mass.
Meeting adjourned.

W. L. Darling -
Sec.

MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION
REPORT OF THE TREASURER - JANUARY 1st, 1925.

RECEIPTS

Balance	$265.96
1924 Dues	520.00
1925 Dues (advanced)	110.00
Annual shooting fees	95.00
Range shooting fees	221.50
Medal tickets sold	120.50
Ammunition and freight charges on same	61.92
Clay pigeons sold	1.25
Keys to Club House sold	3.75
Interest on bank balances	.40
MATCHES--Victory	8.50
Wakefield Cup	7.00
President's Miss and Out	6.50
Club's Miss and Out	2.75
Sweater donated by Mrs. Gibbons	18.00
Golf Stockings donated by Mrs.Gibbons	5.00
Targets ordered but canceled	7.00
	$1455.03

DISBURSEMENTS

Taxes	182.12
Interest on mortgage	65.00
Part payment on mortgage	200.00
Insurance	61.50
Shingling of Caretaker's house	205.50
Telephone cables for ranges	119.16
Sundry charges on installing cables	17.10
Re-affiliation with N.R.A. 1924	10.00
Re-affiliation with N.R.A. 1925	10.00
Markers' charges	114.55
Medals	191.05
Membership applications and cards	8.00
Targets and express charges on same	35.26
Annual meeting notices and cards	5.15
Postage	1.50
Bond on Government property	3.00
Paste	3.95
Engraving prizes	10.60
Ammunition	61.92
Stocking match 2nd Prize	.50
N.R.A. Team Entry	5.00
Express on amm. and targets from N.R.A.	8.59
Repair of Flag	12.00
Locks, keys to office and house	9.25
Door hooks and flag hooks	1.77
Service charge by Bank	1.00
	$1343.47
Balance on hand	111.56
	$1455.03

Chas. J. Pennay [signature]
Treasurer.

Mass. Rifle Ass'n - Jan. 28th - 1925
Annual Meeting held at Boston City Club.
Meeting called to order at 6.00 P.M. by Pres. Bills

Owing to absence of Secretary and Treasurer the

LIST OF THE MEMBERS OF THE MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION
AS OF JANUARY 1925.

✓ William Almy	A. F. S. #2, Melville Station	Newport, R. I.
✓ Dwight F. Boyden	Hotel Somerset	Boston, Mass.
✓ F. S. Beckford	60 State Street	" "
✓ H. H. Bennett	~~142 Portland Street~~ 60 Mass. Ave	" "
✓ C. G. Bills	68 Wellington Road	Medford, Mass.
✓ George H. Blair	~~62 Copeland Street~~ 10 Cooper St —	Roxbury, "
✓ Dr. J. L. Bastey	657 Washington Steet	Boston, Mass.
✓ Dr. H. R. Brunton	1 Salem Steet	Malden, Mass.
Charles S. Bostwick	11 Aberdeen Steet	Boston, Mass.
Res. ~~Eugene H. Clapp~~	~~49 Federal Street~~	" "
✓ C. H. Coleman	30 Court Street	" "
Res. ~~Leroy H. Clough~~	~~29 Byron Street~~	~~Haverhill, Mass.~~
✓ Winthrop R. Cutts	4 Hancock Street	Stoneham, Mass.
Charles A. Chase	1840 Massachusetts Ave.	Cambridge, "
✓ Wallace L. Darling	Custom House	Boston, Mass.
✓ Edgar W. Davis	~~2 Westcott Court~~ 229 Pearl St.	Cambridge, Mass.
✓ Albert P. Danforth	252 Massachusetts Ave.	Arlington, Mass.
✓ Fred C. Fitz	33 Browning Road	Somerville, Mass.
✓ W. E. Fennell	38 South Market Street	Boston, Mass.
Res. ~~Daniel G. Fox~~	84 Washington Street	Haverhill, Mass.
✓ O. E. Gerrish	76 Commercial Wharf	Boston, Mass.
Walter S. Gibbons	121 Florence Street	Melrose, Mass.
✓ Robert E. Gibson	119 Cambridge Street	Woburn, Mass.
✓ J. E. Greer - 25 Pigeon Hill Road	~~Commonwealth Av~~ Auburndale	~~Allston~~, Mass.
✓ William H. Heintz	531 High Street	West Medford, Mass.
✓ L. W. Hayes	94 Pearl Street	Boston, Mass.
Died ~~Ellerton James~~	~~24 Milk Street~~	" "
✓ Louis A. Jones	50 Congress Street	" "
✓ William Kirkwood	23 Elm Street	" "
Died ~~John E. Kelley~~ 5/13/25	~~30 Congreve Street~~	West ~~Roxbury, Mass.~~
✓ George H. Kimball	~~141 Federal Street~~ Young's Hotel	Boston, Mass.
✓ W. G. Kimball	38 South Street	" "
Thomas J. Kirk	44 Yoeman Avenue	Medford, Mass.
✓ Robert S. Lunt	218 Mill Street	Newtonville, Mass.
✓ Robert S. Lunt Jr.	218 Mill Street	Newtonville, Mass.
Alan H. Means	Send to W. L. Darling	
Harold T. Mitchell	255 Atlantic Avenue	Boston, Mass.
Chester A. Moore	125 Perkins Street	Somerville, Mass.
Died ~~Guy L. Millett~~	~~1332 Beacon Street~~	~~Brookline, Mass.~~
✓ John B. Paine	Weston, Mass.	
Died ~~Frank S. Tucker~~	~~14 Cabot Street~~	~~Winchester, Mass.~~
✓ Malcolm F. Partridge	26 Hillside Road	East Weymouth, Mass.
✓ Ralph E. Runels	4 Harland Ave.	Lowell, Mass.
✓ N. Perry Sipprelle	73 Tremont Street	Boston, Mass.
✓ F. Herman Souther	56 Fourth Street	Medford, Mass.
Res. ~~Ellis Spear Jr.~~	~~626 Tremont Building~~	~~Boston, Mass.~~
Res. ~~Charles H. Tyler~~	~~147 Ames Building~~	" "
Res. ~~Edward W. Taylor~~	~~Box 5 Lexington, Mass.~~	
✓ Frank E. Whipple	17 Austin Street	Milton, Mass.
✓ Ashley C. Zwicker	12 Fairmont Street	Arlington, Mass.

MEMBERS WHOSE 1924 DUES ARE NOT PAID.

George H. Crocker	55 Lee Road	Chestnut Hill, Mass.
George F. Day	21 Haverhill Street	Boston, Mass.
Robert F. Fitz	15 North Market Street	" "
Walter E. Palm	429 Adams Street	Dorchester, Mass.
George W. Weeks	145 Florence Street	Melrose, Mass.

on Conservation by Mr. [illegible] of the Mass. [illegible]
Protective Ass'n. Adjourned 8.30 P.M. N. Perry Sipprelle
W. S. Gibbons, Sec. Sec. Pro. Tem.

REPORT OF STATISTICAL OFFICER for 1924

April 19, Creedmoor Match - 200 Yards
Won by Chase on score of 272 .

Oct. 13, Victory Trophy , Won by Dr. Basty , perfect score of 75 - 600 Yards .

Oct. 19, Wakefield Trophy , Won by Souther on score of 113 - 500 Yards.

Oct. 26, President's Match , 500 Yards - Miss and Out , Won by Dr. Basty , score 25 Bulls Eyes .

Oct. 19, Special Match for Sweater donated by Mrs. W.S. Gibbons, 200 Yards - German Ring Target , any position, Won by C. G. Bills on score of 236.

Nov. 2 , Special Match for Wool Socks , donated by Mrs. W. S. Gibbons, 200 yards - German Ring Target , Won by Mr. Mitchell on score of 224 , Rest Shooting .

U. S. Army Qualification Course,
Expert , made by :- W. S. Gibbons
O. E. Gerrish
Dr. Benton

Sharp Shooters:-
C. G. Bills
J. E. Greer

Marksmen:-
N. P. Sipprelle
H. T. Mitchell

Course D - 200 Yards
Expert Qualification:-
R. S. Lunt
M. F. Patridge
C. A. Moore
Dr. J. L. Basty
W. E. Fennell

Record beginning June 1st. shows an average about six men , 23 shooting days.

SIGNED: F. E. Whipple
Jan 28/25

Mass. Rifle Ass'n - Jan. 28th - 1925
Annual Meeting held at Boston City Club.
Meeting called to order at 6.00 P.M. by Pres. Bills

Owing to absence of Secretary and Treasurer the reading of their reports was postponed.
The President stated that the first business was the election of board of Directors for the ensuing year.
It was voted that the secretary cast one ballot for the following -

F. S. Beckford	C. A. Chase	J. E. Greer.
J. L. Bastey	W. L. Darling	J. E. Kelley.
C. G. Bills	F. C. Fitz	C. A. Moore
H. R. Brunton	W. E. Fennell	N. P. Sipprelle
H. H. Bennett	O. E. Gerrish	F. E. Whipple.

For Vice Pres. Samuel Merrill and George H. Blair.
For Secretary W. S. Gibbons
" Treasurer C. H. Coleman

Meeting temporarily adjourned, and meeting of Directors called for the purpose of electing a President, Mr. Merrill acting as temporary chairman, the board voted to elect Mr. H. H. Bennett as President for 1925.

Annual meeting again called to order, Mr. Bills in chair.

The reports of the Secretary and the Treasurer read & accepted.
The resignations of Ellis Spear, D. J. Fox, and Eugene H. Clapp were read and accepted, and the Secretary direted to give notice to that effect.
A letter was read from Edward W. Taylor, inquiring as to his status as a member, and if his membership entitled him to be a shareholder in club assets
It was moved that he be notified that his rights in club assets would cease upon discontinuance of membership. Mr. Bennett read a card from Mrs. Galen Woodbury, notifying the Association of the ~~Mr.~~ death Mr. Woodbury.
Meeting adjourned at 6.45 P.M. and the members gave their attention to the annual dinner.
After the dinner, a very interesting talk was given ~~by~~ on Conservation by Mr. Clark of the Mass. Fish and Game Protective Ass'n. Adjourned 8.30 P.M. N. Perry Sipprelle

W. S. Gibbons. Sec. Sec. Pro. Tem.

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WALLACE L. DARLING, *Treasurer*,
Custom House, Boston

REPORT OF TREASURER FOR THE YEAR 1925.

Dues 1925	$329.
" 1926	30.
Shooting fees	257.75
Medal Tickets	60.20
Recredit of bank service chgs.	2.
Hay sold	15.
Creedmoor Match	4.
Clay pigeons sold	.50
50th Anniversary Match	26.
Pasters sold	.30
Victory Trophy Match	8.25
Wakefield Match	10.50
Miss and Out Match	11.25
	$754.75
Balance from 1924	111.56
	$866.31

Insurance	$61.50
Int. on mortgage	52.
Taxes	192.56
Paid Markers	95.45
Medals	21.91
Government Bond	3.
Repair of roof	75.
Anderson for labor	67.75
Target pasters	13.
Burlap for target frames	8.10
N.R.A. re-affiliation for 1926	10.
" " " contribution to International Team	5.
Flowers for funeral - John E. Kelley	10.
Service charges by bank	2.
Postal cards for Annual Meeting	6.72
Postage	1.
Lumber for target frames	1.68
Pulleys, cords, hardware and glass	8.10
Expressage on glass and freight charges	.75
" on targets and ammunition from N.R.A.	8.30
Targets from Remington	10.90
50th Anniversary Vase for prize	13.80
50th Anniversary 2nd prize	4.30
Creedmoor medal prizes	3.72
Engraving of various medals given in matches	2.72
Medals and engraving for Victory Trophy, Wakefield Cup and Miss and Out Matches	15.90
Return of Entry Fee to Greer on Creedmoor Match	.50
	$695.66
Balance on hand	170.65
	$866.31

TREASURER.

Boston, Jan. 20, 1926.

Massachusetts Rifle Association,

Woburn, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the following matches for the year ending Dec. 31st, 1925:

	Total number of shooting days....................	52
	" " " matches...........................	14
4/20 -	Creedmoor match won by F. E. Whipple on score..................................	197
6/7 -	50th Anniversary Small Bore won by W. E. Fennell.............................. 50, 100 & 200 yds.	244
	Second - C. F. Bostwick..................	243
10/11	Victory Trophy won by Dr. Bastey......... 600 yds.	73
10/12	Wakefield Cup won by Mr. Kirk, score..... 500 yds.	97 - 11 V
	Second - O. E. Gerrish...................	97 - 9 V
10/18	Miss & Out won by O. E. Gerrish.......... 500 yds.	48 Bulls
	Second - Fred Fitz.......................	42 "

A large portion of the Summer season was devoted to the practice and shooting of the Government qualifications.

Respectfully submitted,

F. E. WHIPPLE,

Statistical Officer.

FEW/D

DIRECTORS M R A

F S BECKFORD
J L BASTY
H H BENNETT
C G BILLS
H R BRUNTON
W L DARLING
F C FITZ
W E FENNELL
O E GERRISH
J E GREER
R S LUNT JR
~~C H MOORE~~ Edgar Davis
N P SIPPRELL
F H SOUTHER
F E WHIPPLE

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SECRETARY

W S GIBBONS X

TREASURER

C H COLEMAN X

VICE PRES

G H BLAIR X
SAMUEL MERRILL X

for 1926

The Annual Meeting of the Mass. Rifle Ass'n was held at the Boston City Club Jan. 20th, 1926
Pres. Bennett in chair. Twenty-eight members present.
The minutes of the last annual meeting read and approved.
Report of Treasurer read and accepted
" " Statistical Officer read and accepted.
" " Prize and Match Com. " " "
" " Range Committee " " "
Applications for membership were read from
N. A. Haskell, Wm. C. Scherill, and Wm. F. McGovern
It was moved and seconded that Secretary cast one ballot for all three. Motion carried.
Communications were read from Henry S. Harris and E. C. Patridge, both long time members of the Club, but unable to be present, expressing their best wishes to the old M.R.A.

Mr. Gerrish gave notice that he would present at a future meeting, a motion to reduce the number of Directors to seven instead of fifteen.

Business was suspended for the Dinner.

Annual meeting adjourned and Director's meeting called for the purpose of electing a President.
Mr. O. C. Gerrish was elected Pres. for 1926.
Mr. Merrill was called, and gave a very interesting account of his hunting trip.
Mr. Blair, Mr. Getchell, Mr. Hodgins and Mr. Pond also gave some very interesting remarks of the days when the older members were active in the shooting game.
Mr. Shay of the U.S. Navy was very entertaining with experiences in the service.
Mr. Sipprelle made a very strong argument on pistol legislation.
Mr. Moore moved that Mr. Sipprelle write a message to be signed by members of the club, and that Secretary be authorized to expend postage in notifying members of hearings, when held, on Pistol Legislation. Motion passed.
Dr. Bastey gave a brief account of shooting at Camp Perry.

Meeting adjourned 9.00 P.M. H. S. Gibbons
Secretary

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~~2 Weston Court Cambridge~~

Chas. H. Coleman
~~WALLACE K. DARLING, Treasurer~~
~~Custom House, Boston~~ Treas.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR THE YEAR 1926.

RECEIPTS

Dues 1926	$420.
" 1927	10.
Shooting fees 1926	243.50
" " 1927	5.
Medal Tickets	101.55
Ammunition Sold	8.
Matches	
Creedmoor	12.
Wakefield Cup	12.
Victory Trophy	16.
Miss and Out	4.50
Pasters Sold	3.60
	836.15
Balance from 1925	170.65
	$1006.80

DISBURSEMENTS

Insurance	77.50
Taxes	212.86
Interest on mortgage	52.14
Bond on Government property	3.00
Medals	75.83
Paid Markers	80.95
Postal cards annual meeting	6.60
Postage	1.00
Targets	29.40
Repair of stove	5.50
Neighbor Greenhouse claim	11.00
Lumber for target frames	4.62
Expressage on targets	.92
Pasters	6.80
Mortgage placed and charges for extension	15.00
Expressage on ammunition	5.10
Screen netting dwlg. house	10.35
Pump for dwlg house	9.00
Lumber for steps and paper for roof	34.78
Labor repair of roof	36.25
Coke for stove in Club	9.45
Prize in Victory Match	3.00
	691.05
Balance on hand	315.75
	$1006.80

Chas. H. Coleman

Treasurer.

To the Massachusetts Rifle Association

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the following statement of Matches for the year ending December 31, 1926.

Total number of shooting days 41
Total number of Matches 19

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April 19 CREEDMOOR CUP MATCH

Won by F. E. Whipple -score 216
Dr.Bastey second score 215

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June N.R.A. 22- TEAM MATCH 50-100-200 Yds

Danforth	389
C. Moore	386
Darling	383
Gibbons	381
Gerrish	380
TOTAL	1919

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GOV'T.QUALIFICATIONS- A-Course

5 Expert
7 Sharpshooter

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WAKEFIELD CUP MATCH - 20 Shots 500 Yds.

Won by Wallace Darling on perfect score of 100
Nov. 7. Dr. Brunton- 2nd - " " 99

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VICTORY TROPHY - 15 Shots 600 Yds.

Nov. 21 Won by Allan Means on perfect score of 75 plus 4
2nd- O. E. Gerrish " 74

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Nov. 28 PRESIDENTS or MISS & OUT MATCH - 500 Yds.

Won by Dr. Bastey on score of 53 Bulls
39 V
2nd- Andy Souther 39 Bulls
24 V

STATISTICAL OFFICER

Officers for 1927

Vice President

Dr. H. S. Brunton
Samuel Merrill

Secretary

W. S. Gibbons

Treasurer

C. H. Coleman

DIRECTORS
(Vote for 15)

H. L. Darling
O. C. Gerrish
W. B. Fennell
J. L. ~~Dr.~~ Bastey
H. R. ~~Dr.~~ Brunton
C. W. Davis
J. C. Grfer
F. C. Whipple
H. H. Bennett
F. C. Fitz
C. A. Moore
C. H. Coleman
R. C. Gibson
F. C. Bickford
A. P. Danforth
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STATISTICAL OFFICER
A. C., DANFORTH

The Annual Meeting of the Mass. Rifle Ass'n was held at the Boston City Club Jan. 26th. 1927
Meeting called to order by Pres. Gerrish at 5.45
Seventeen members and two guests present.
The report of the last Annual Meeting was read by the Secretary and accepted.
The Treasurer's report for 1926 read and accepted.
The Range Committee's report was made by Dr. Brunton. Accepted.
Communications from several members, were read by Mr. Bennett, expressing their regret at not being able to attend the meeting.
Election of Officers followed, and the following were elected
Vice Presidents - Samuel Merrill and Dr. Brunton
Secretary, - H. S. Gibbons
Treasurer - C. H. Coleman
Directors - W. L. Darling - O. E. Gerrish - W. C. Fennell
J. L. Bastey - H. R. Brunton - C. W. Davis - J. E. Greer
F. E. Whipple - H. H. Bennett - C. A. Moore - C. H. Coleman
R. C. Gibson - F. E. Beckford - A. P. Danforth - F. C. Fitz.
On motion of Mr. Coleman, seconded by Mr. Davis, Mr. Sipprelle was appointed Counsellor for the year 1927.
The Annual Meeting was adjourned, and a Directors Meeting called, Mr. Merrill presiding, for the purpose of electing a President.
By unanimous vote Mr. W. L. Darling was elected President for 1927.
This was followed by the Annual Dinner and after a short social session the meeting was adjourned at 8.00 P. M.

H. S. Gibbons.
Secretary

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Custom House, Boston

REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR THE YEAR 1927.

Receipts

Dues	$405.00
Shooting Fees	237.50
Medal Tickets	90.20
Matches	123.00
Pasters sold	2.40
Ammunition Sold	15.00
Key sold	.25
Clay Pigeons sold	9.60
Shot gun matches	40.85
	$923.80
Balance from 1926	315.75
	$1239.55

Payments

Grading Pistol Range	$92.00
Re-affiliation N.R.A. 1927	10.00
Insurance	64.50
Interest on mortgage	52.00
Bond on Gov'T property	3.00
Taxes	200.10
Annual meeting cards	6.58
Markers fees	82.30
" " traps	2.00
Medals	62.50
Ribbons & Bars 1926 matches	16.30
" " " 1927 "	105.93
Roof repairs labor & materials	95.90
Lumber for pistol range	8.01
Postage & rubber stamp	2.00
Hammer saw, barrow, vise, rake broom and glass	19.79
Pasters	12.00
Labor by Lee on Pistol range	14.50
Targets and expressage	24.25
Expréssage on ammunitión	4.33
Repairs to stove	26.10
Repairs to pump	.45
Telephone Battery	.80
Repair of trap	1.85
Clay Pigeons	18.95
Re-affiliation N.R.A. 1928	10.00
	936.14
Balance on hand	303.41
	$1239.55

Balance on hand Jan. 25, 1928 $247.52
Mortgage $800. due Apr, 26, 1929
Interest payable March 7th and
Sept 7th 6 mos. @6½% $26.
to George H. Pike and Helen M. Pike
64 Harvard St. Brookline, Mass.

[signature]

TREASURER.

VIC PRESIDENTS

SAMUEL MERRILL
H R BRUNTON

SECRETARY

W S GIBBONS

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TREASURER

C H COLEMAN

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DIRECTORS

J L BASTEY
F S BECKFORD
H H BENNETT
C G BILLS
A P DANFORTH
W L DARLING
E W DAVIS
W E FENNELL
F C FITZ
R E GIBSON
J E GREER
R C. HARPER
C A MOORE
R. H. RIPLEY
F E WHIPPLE

Life Members

Dead ~~Arnold, Nathaniel W.--------455 Adams Street, North Abington, Mass.~~

~~Belcher, Orlando F.---------126 Cottage Park Road, Winthrop, Mass.~~ Died 1923

~~Bishop, Dr. Heber-----------50 Congress Street, Boston, Mass.~~ Dead

Borden, John----------------Seapowet Ave., Tiverton, R. I.

Cooley, George P.-----------91 Magazine Street, Cambridgeport, Mass.

~~Cory, Charles B.------------Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, Ill.~~

~~Dean, Charles A.------------60 India Street, Boston, Mass.~~

Dimick, C. W.---------------1007 Tremont Building, Boston, Mass.

~~Faxon, E. J.----------------18 Linden Street, Salem, Mass.~~ Deceased 2/21/2_ Feb 21, 1921

Foster, Dr. C. C.-----------8 Elmwood Avenue, Cambridge, Mass.

Getchell, Waldo I.----------63 Highland Avenue, Cambridge, Mass.

~~Gray, Thomas H.-------------170 Summer Street, Boston, Mass.~~ 79 Milk Died 1938 latest date

Gleason, Sidney-------------Box 7, Boston, Mass.

Hale, R. S.-----------------~~209 Bay State Road~~, Boston, Mass. 939 Boylston St.

Harris, Henry S.------------1147 Old South Building, Boston, Mass.

Dead ~~Hinman, Major C. W.---------10 Fenwick Road, Winchester, Mass.~~

Dead 1925 ~~Hinman, Walter--------------10 Fenwick Road, Winchester, Mass.~~

Hodgkins, Joseph W.---------P. O. Box 1942, Boston, Mass.

Died 1925 ~~Hollingsworth, Z. T.--------170 Summer Street, Boston, Mass.~~

Holmes, E. B.---------------600 Atlantic Avenue, Boston, Mass.

Hosmer, Prof. George L.-----Room I-239, Mass. Inst. of Tech., Cambridge, Mass.

~~Jewell, Orwell M.-----------P. O. Box 124, Lawrence, Mass.~~ Died 1926

Keough, James H.------------Wakefield, Mass.

Lamb, Miss Carrie F.--------9 Ellsworth Avenue, Cambridgeport, Mass.

Merrill, Samuel-------------Dramatic Room, Boston Globe, Boston, Mass.

Morris, Dr. M. A.-----------308 Main Street, Charlestown, Mass.

Nash, Herbert---------------Room 853, 53 State Street, Boston, Mass.

Nash, Nathaniel C. Jr.------Room 853, 53 State Street, Boston, Mass.

Patridge, E. E.-------------Southern Pines, North Carolina.

Pond, E. G.-----------------Needham, Mass.

Rabbeth, Francis J.---------Redlands, California

Rabbeth, Walter E.----------Redlands, California

Richards, Capt. John B.-----374 June Street, Fall River, Mass.

~~Sears, David----------------P. O. Box 1155, Boston, Mass.~~ Died 1922

Dead ~~Woodruff, Galen,~~-----------160 Beech Street, Roslindale, Mass. Died 1921

The Annual Meeting of the Mass. Rifle Assn was held at the Boston City Club Jan. 25th. 1928
Pres. Darling presided, with 30 members and four guests present.

1 Records of the last annual meeting were read and approved
2 Report of Treasurer was read and approved
3 " " Stat. Officer " " " "
4 " " Range Com " " " "
5 A letter of regret was read from Gen. Chas. H. Cole.
7 A motion was made by Mr. Fennell, sec. by Dr. Bastey. that Victory Medal Match be reinstated. Motion lost.
8 A motion was made by Mr. Bennett, sec. by Mr. Fennell,
6 that money for Victory Medal dies be raised by subscription among the members. The motion was carried, and Mr. Bennett was appointed to collect.
9 Mr. Coleman moved, sec. by Mr. Bills that the sum of two hundred dollars be set aside for investment The motion was approved.
10 The Annual Dinner followed next on the program, after which the members were entertained by Captain Van Amberg, Expert on firearms in the Office of the Dept. of Public Safety.

The election of Officers for 1928 was as follows –
Vice Presidents, Samuel Merrill and H. R. Brunton
Treasurer – C. H. Coleman, Secretary. H S Gibbons
Directors – J. L. Bastey – F S. Beckford – H. H. Bennett –
C. G. Bills – A. P. Danforth – H. L. Darling –
E. H. Davis – H. C. Fennell – F. C. Fitz –
R. E. Gibson – J. E. Green – R. E. Harper –
C. A. Moore – P. H. Ripley – F. C. Whipple

11 A meeting of the Directors was held and Mr. F. S. Beckford was unanimously chosen as President for 1928, after which the annual meeting was adjourned.

H. S. Gibbons
Secretary

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REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR THE YEAR 1928.

Receipts.		Payments.	
Dues 1928	450.00	Taxes	199.52
" 1929	30.00	Insurance	64.50
Shooting Fees	249.25	Interest	52.00
Medal Tickets	31.10	Markers Fees	129.50
Annual Range Fees 1928	145.00	Repairs to dwelling	117.28
" " " 1929	15.00	Furnace for dwelling	136.74
Ammunition sold	2.20	Labor on road	105.00
Pasters sold	1.35	Repairs on 200 yard range	78.93
Collection Victory Die	56.00	Roof material and hardware	
Brass sold	26.00	used at Club house	14.78
Interest on Two shares		Medals	56.10
No. Weymouth Co-op Bank	10.00	Cups, bars, ribbons and	
Key sold	.25	Victory Trophy base	96.59
Rifle Matches	94.75	Clay pigeons	46.60
Clay birds sold and Shot		Repair of Victory die	60.00
gun Matches	113.74	Coal	13.75
Rebate on targets bought of		Targets	29.50
N. R. A.	2.50	N. R. A. re-affiliation 1929	10.00
		Annual Dinner	6.08
	1227.14	Bond on Gov't property	3.00
		Postage, printing and	
		cash book	5.00
		Pasters	12.00
		Telephone batteries	.55
		Expressage	4.95
		Freight on ammunition	4.39
		Flowers Ripley	15.00
		Neighbor's glass broken	2.50
		Bought two Paid-up shares	
		No. Weymouth Co-op Bank	202.50
			1466.76
Balance from 1927	303.41	Balance on hand	63.79
	1530.55		1530.55

Investment in two shares of North Weymouth Co-operative Bank is to be cashed and the proceeds applied in reduction of the mortgage when the mortgage is due for payment. The mortgage is due for payment April 26, 1929. $800.00 principal and interest accrued. Interest dates are March 7th and Sept. 7th. Rate 6½%. Present holders of the mortgage are George H. Pike and Helen M. Pike 64 Harvard Street, Brookline, Mass.

Wallace L. Darling [signature]

TREASURER.

PETER LAMBERT
JOE SHEDD
F E WHIPPLE

for 1929

The Annual Meeting of the Mass. Rifle Assn was held at the Boston City Club. Jan. 14th. 1929
Pres. Beckford in chair, 21 members, 5 guests present.
Records of last Annual Meeting read and approved
Mr. Gibson reported for the Range Com.
Report approved and placed on file.
Meeting adjourned temporarily for Annual Dinner.
Meeting again called to order, and heard the report of the Treasurer. Acceped and placed on file.
The Nominating Com. then distributed ballots for the election of Officers, which resulted as follows. —
Vice Presidents - Samuel Merrill - O. E. Gerrish
Sec. - H. S. Gibbons - Treas - Edgar W. Davis.
Directors - J. L. Bartey - F. S. Beckford - C. S. Bills -
H. R. Brunton - C. H. Coleman - A. P. Danforth -
R. J. Dwyer - H. C. Fennell - F. C. Fitz -
R. C. Gibson - J. C. Greer - R. C. Harper -
A. P. Lambert - Joseph Shedd - F. E. Whipple.

A meeting of the Directors was then held for the purpose of electing a President, Mr. Merrill presiding, and it was unanimously voted that Dr. H. R. Brunton serve as President for 1929.
After the business of the meeting was concluded, the members were entertained by Mr. Weldon, representing the Canadian National Railways, with moving pictures of scenery along their right of way.
Meeting adjourned 9.45 P.M.

H. S. Gibbons.
Secretary.

M R A BALLOT
JANUARY 14 1929

VICE PRESIDENTS

SAMUEL MERRILL
O E GERRISH

SECRETARY

W S GIBBONS

TREASURER

EDGAR W DAVIS

DIRECTORS

J L BASTEY
F S BECKFORD
C G BILLS
H R BRUNTON
C H COLEMAN
A P DANFORTH
R I DWYER
W E FENNELL
F C FITZ
R E GIBSON
J E GREER
R E HARPER
PETER LAMBERT
JOE SHEDD
F E WHIPPLE

for 1929

INCORPORATED 1875

THE MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Range at Walnut Hill, Massachusetts

EDGAR W. DAVIS, ~~Secretary~~ Treasurer.
~~12 Weston Road~~ Cambridge

~~WALLACE K. DARLING, Treasurer~~
~~Chestnut Hill, Boston~~

REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR THE YEAR 1929.

RECEIPTS

Dues 1928	$40.00
Annual range fees 1928	5.00
Dues 1929	455.00
Annual range fees 1929	160.00
Shooting fees	286.00
Medal tickets	10.65
Victory medal tickets	10.00
Spoon tickets	.60
Open shoot	76.70
Mr. Beckford for cup for small bore match	10.00
Small bore matches	13.50
Rifle matches	149.75
Clay birds & shot gun matches.	211.05
Posters sold	.60
Interest Co-op. share	5.00
Cash Co-op. share	200.00
Key sold	.25
22 cal. amunition sold	5.00
Fired shot gun shells	3.80
Miscellaneous	7.85
	$1,650.75
Balance from 1928	63.79
	$1,714.54

PAYMENTS

Tax	$203.58
Insurance	64.50
Interest on mortgage note	40.16
Markers	164.75
Medals	23.46
Cups for trap matches	53.55
Cup for small bore match	9.45
Medals for open shoot	24.96
Cup for long range small bore match	4.28
Engraving, ribbons & bars for Rifle Matches	63.31
N.R.A. Match entry fees	10.00
Clay birds	67.10
Paper targets	33.88
Deficit Annual dinner	4.50
Postage	5.00
Fire pumps	17.64
Posters	4.50
Iron target	6.00
Food for markers open shoot.	2.50
Printing	16.50
Ladder	15.00
Bond Government property	3.00
Initial payment on trap	60.00
Reduction of Prin. Mortg. Note	300.00
Mortg. extension expense	2.00
Coke	36.38
Tools	5.35
Keys	2.50
Freight and express	4.99
Misc., hardware & lumber	89.22
Labor	60.00
	$1,398.06
Balance on hand	316.48
	$1,714.54

Remaining principal of mortgage is $500.00
Holders of mortgage are George H. and Helen M. Pike.

Edgar W. Davis.
Treasurer M. R. A.

VICE PRESIDENTS

SAMUEL MERRILL
O E GERRISH

SECRETARY

W S GIBBONS

TREASURER

E W DAVIS

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JOSEPH SHEDD
W S WAIT
F E WHIPPLE
ED A ZORN

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for 1930

The Annual Meeting of the M.R.A was held Jan. 20, 1930 at the Engineers Club, "2 Commonwealth Ave. Boston. 6.00 P.M.
President Brunton presided with 26 members and 8 guests present
The records of the last meeting were read and approved.
The report of the Treasurer for 1929 " " "
The report of the Statistical Officer " " "
Mr. Gibson reported for the Range Com., and a vote of appreciation was made for the good work of that committee.
Mr. Sipprelle spoke very earnestly on the subject of proposed bills to be presented before the Legislature on anti-pistol legislation, and urged the members to use their best efforts in opposition.
The election of Officers followed, and resulted as below.

Vice Presidents, Samuel Merrill
O. E. Gerrish
Secretary - H S Gibbons
Treasurer - E. H. Davis
Directors - F. S. Beckford, C. G. Bills, H. R. Brunton, C. H. Coleman, J. P. Dunngoole, R. J. Dwyer, H. E. Fennell, F. C. Fitz, R. E. Gibson, R. E. Harper, A. P. Lambert, Joseph Shedd, W. S. Wait, F. E. Whipple, E. A. Zorn.

The Directors held a meeting and elected Mr. F. E. Whipple to serve as President for 1930.

A very interesting motion picture was presented by the Industrial Film Co. entitled "The Age of Speed"
A collection of pictures was put on by Mr. F. R. Gleason, one of our own members, showing some of his own home scenes, hunting scenes showing some familiar faces, and scenes taken at Walnut Hill, all of which were very much appreciated. Adjourned 9.45 P.M.

H S Gibbons
Secretary

Incorporated 1875.

THE MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

Range at Walnut Hill, Massachusetts.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR THE YEAR 1930.

RECEIPTS

Dues 1929	$10.00
Range Fees 1929	5.00
Dues 1930	445.00
Range Fees 1930...............	195.00
Dues 1931	40.00
Range Fees 1931	15.00
Shooting Fees	336.50
Medal tickets	79.50
Spoon tickets	10.20
Rifle Matches	134.25
Shot Gun Matches	129.50
Shot Gun Amunition	96.75
Open Shoot	83.40
Sub. for new trap	28.85
Walnut	2.25
Rifle parts	1.42
Balance from Annual Dinner	2.92
	$1,615.54
Balance from 1929	316.48
	$1,932.02

PAYMENTS

Tax	$205.32
Insurance	53.75
Interest on mortgage note...	40.27
Markers' Fees	268.75
Medals	159.54
Ribbons & Bars	46.57
Medals for Open Shoot	17.52
Spoons	13.50
Cups - Shot Gun Matches	53.76
Cup - Stunt Shoot	5.41
N. R. A. dues	10.00
East.Mass.Rifle League dues.	10.00
Shot Gun Amunition	120.06
50-70 amunition for stunt shoot........	7.75
Balance on trap	40.00
Birds	35.00
Repairs - shooting rugs	18.00
Coke	14.00
Hardware	25.97
Postage	3.50
Movie Film	4.00
Paper targets	28.43
Bond - Government property...	3.00
Lumber	29.03
Glass	11.35
Burlap	12.00
Printing	9.50
Freight & express	4.30
D.C.M Muskets	9.94
Chairs	3.30
Labor	54.00
Miscellaneous	4.50
	$1,322.02
Balance on hand	610.00
	$1,932.02

Remaining principal of mortgage is $500.00
Holders of mortgage are George H. and Helen M. Pike.

Edgar W. Davis.
Treasurer M. R. A.

M. R. A. - 1931

Vice-Presidents:	Samuel Merrill
	O. E. Gerrish
Secretary:	W. S. Gibbons
Treasurer:	E. W. Davis
Directors:	F. S. Beckford
	C. G. Bills
	H. R. Brunton
	J. R. Drumgoole
	R. J. Dwyer
	W. E. Fennell
	R. E. Gibson
	R. E. Harper
	A. P. Lambert
	J. Shedd
	N. P. Sipprelle
	Wm. J. Sutcliffe
	W. S. Wait
	F. E. Whipple
	E. A. Zorn

Official ballot for 1931

Incorporated 1875.

THE MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

Range at Walnut Hill, Massachusetts.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR THE YEAR 1930.

RECEIPTS		PAYMENTS	
Dues 1929	$10.00	Tax	$205.32
Range Fees 1929	5.00	Insurance	53.75
Dues 1930	445.00	Interest on mortgage note	40.25
Range Fees 1930	195.00	Markers' Fees	268.77
Dues 1931	40.00	Medals	159.75
Range Fees 1931	15.00	Ribbons & Bars	46.54
Shooting Fees	336.50	Medals for Open Shoot	17.55
Medal tickets	79.50	Spoons	13.57
Spoon tickets	10.20	Cups - Shot Gun Matches	53.52
Rifle Matches	134.25	Cup - Stunt Shoot	5.70
Shot Gun Matches	129.50	N. R. A. dues	10.41
Shot Gun Amunition	96.75	East.Mass.Rifle League dues	10.00
Open Shoot	83.40	Shot Gun Amunition	120.00
Sub. for new trap	28.85	50-70 amunition for stunt shoot	7.75
Walnut	2.25	Balance on trap	40.05
Rifle parts	1.42	Birds	35.00
Balance from Annual Dinner	2.92	Repairs - shooting rugs	18.00
	$1,615.54	Coke	14.00
		Hardware	25.97
		Postage	3.50
		Movie Film	4.00
		Paper targets	28.40
		Bond - Government property	3.03
		Lumber	29.03
		Glass	11.30
		Burlap	12.55
		Printing	9.35
		Freight & express	4.30
		D.C.M Muskets	9.93
		Chairs	3.30
		Labor	54.04
		Miscellaneous	4.50
			$1,322.02
Balance from 1929	316.48	Balance on hand	610.00
	$1,932.02		$1,932.02

Remaining principal of mortgage is $500.00
Holders of mortgage are George H. and Helen M. Pike.

Edgar W. Davis
Treasurer M. R. A.

The annual meeting for 1931 was held at the Engineer's Club, Feb 4th at 6.00 P. M.
Pres. Whipple presiding, with 25 members and 4 guests.
Dinner held at 6.15 P. M. Business meeting followed.
Records of last meeting were read and accepted.
Report " Treasurer " " "
" " Statistical Officer " " "
For the Range Com., Mr Gibson reported on work done at Range during the past year.
A communication was read from the Sec. of the Eastern Mass. Rifle League, notifying us of meeting, and Messrs. Gibson & Fennell were appointed as a committee to represent the M. R. A.
Mr. Shedd, in behalf of the members of the Association presented Mr. Gibson with a traveling bag as an appreciation of his work at the Range.
The meeting was then entertained by reading & songs followed by moving pictures, all of which was highly appreciated.
The Election of Officers resulted as follows -
Vice Presidents - Samuel Merrill & O. E. Gerrish
Treas. - E. W. Davis Sec. H S Gibbons
Directors - F. S. Beckford - C. L. Bills - H. R. Brunton
J. P. Drumgoole - R. J. Dwyer - H. E. Fennell.
R. E. Gibson - R. E. Harper - A. P. Lambert
Joseph Shedd - A. P. Siffrelle - H. J. Sutcliffe
W. S. Wait - F. E. Whipple - C. A. Zorn.

After the regular meeting, the Directors met and elected Richard J. Dwyer as President for 1931.

Meeting adjourned - 10.00 P. M.
H S Gibbons. Secretary

M. R. A. - 1932

Vice-Presidents: ~~Samuel Merrill~~ Geo H. Blair
O. E. Gerrish

Secretary: W. S. Gibbons ×

Treasurer: Edgar W. Davis ×

Directors:
F. S. Beckford
C. G. Bills
H. R. Brunton ×
J. R. Drumgoole ×
R. I. Dwyer ×
W. E. Fennell
R. E. Gibson ×
R. E. Harper
A. P. Lambert
J. Shedd ×
N. P. Sipprelle
W. J. Sutcliffe
W. S. Wait ×
F. E. Whipple
E. A. Zorn

Ballot for 1932

Annual meeting held at Walnut Hill Jan. 17, 1932

THE MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Incorporated 1875.

Range at Walnut Hill, Massachusetts.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR THE YEAR 1931.

RECEIPTS

Dues 1931; Dues 1932; Range Fees, 1931; Range Fees, 1932; Shooting Fees; Medal Tickets; Spoon Tickets; Rifle Matches; Trap Matches; Shot Gun Ammunition; Rifle parts; Credit over Lease shells; Balance from 1931 [illegible]

PAYMENTS

Tax; Insurance, Club House; Insurance, Dwelling; Interest, Mortgage Note; Markers Fees; Medals; Ribbons and Bars; N.R.A. Matches, 1930; Cups, Stunt Shoot; Duvrock outfit; Rebate 1/2 yr. dues; Cup, United Service Shoot; N.R. Dues, 1931; Pistol League; N.R.A. Matches, 1931; E. Mass. Rifle League Dues; Eng. Cup; Birds; Scythe and stone; Cups, Trap Matches; Sale of ammunition; Wheelbarrow; Freight and express; Printing; Dinner Deficit; Base, Cup; Pump and fittings; Postage; Targets; Cash Book; Miscellaneous Hardware; Newman for labor; Bond - Government Property; Repairs, House & Butts; Contribution for clock for Mr. McNeill; Miscellaneous lumber; Stock for addition to house; Labor; Balance on hand [illegible]

Remaining principal of mortgage is .... [illegible]
Holders of mortgage are George H. and Helen M. Fiske.

Balance as stated above gives false impression of our financial standing at the first of the year bills received and not paid amounted to [illegible]. Since then some bills have been paid and a small amount of cash has come in. The deficit at present, January 15, 1932, amounts to [illegible].

Respectfully submitted,

Edgar W. Davis

Treasurer, M. R. A.

THE MASSACHUSETTS RIFLE ASSOCIATION

Incorporated 1875.

Range at Walnut Hill, Massachusetts.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER FOR THE YEAR 1931.

RECEIPTS

Dues 1931	$428.00
Dues 1932	70.00
Range Fees, 1931,	164.50
Range Fees, 1932,	30.00
Shooting Fees	355.00
Medal Tickets	80.50
Spoon Tickets	1.50
Rifle Matches	103.35
Trap Matches	84.10
Shot Gun Amunition	57.65
Rifle parts	1.65
Credit over ~~large~~ charge, shells	3.75
	$1,380.00
Balance from 1931	610.00
	$1,990.00

PAYMENTS

Tax	$238.96
Insurance, Club House	53.75
Insurance, Dwelling,	16.00
Interest, Mortgage Note,	25.46
Markers Fees	320.25
Medals	109.88
Ribbons and Bars	24.96
N.R.A. Matches, 1930,	10.00
Cups, Stunt Shoot,	4.50
Duvrock outfit	14.00
Rebate 1/2 yr. dues	7.50
Cup, United Service Shoot	5.00
N.R. Dues, 1931,	10.00
Pistol League	10.00
N.R.A. Matches, 1931,	15.00
E. Mass. Rifle League Dues.	20.00
Eng. Cup	1.88
Birds	25.00
Scythe and stone	2.20
Cups, Trap Matches,	42.06
Sale of amunition	68.77
Wheelbarrow	7.50
Freight and express	3.47
Printing	3.00
Dinner Deficit	23.45
Base, Cup	2.00
Pump and fittings	12.10
Postage	5.50
Targets	36.67
Cash Book	1.50
Miscellaneous Hardware	12.52
Newman for labor	30.00
Bond - Governemnt Property	3.00
Repairs, House & Butts	104.75
Contribution for clock for Mr. McNeill	3.00
Miscellaneous lumber	62.18
Stock for addition to house.	294.60
Labor	155.70
	$1,786.11
Balance on hand	203.89
	$1,990.00

Remaining principal of mortgage is $500.00
Holders of mortgage are George H. and Helen M. Pike.

Balance as stated above gives false impression of our financial standing, as at the first of the year bills received and not paid amounted to $387.42. Since then ~~more~~ some bills have been paid and a small amount of cash has come in. Our deficit at present, January 15, 1932, amounts to $143.53.

Respectfully submitted,

Edgar W. Davis.

Treasurer, M. R. A.

Annual meeting held at Walnut Hill Jan. 17, 1932
President Dwyer in chair, 17 members present.
Dinner at 1.30 - meeting followed.
Records of last annual meeting read and approved.
Treasurer's report " " "
Report of Stat. Officer " partially.
Mr. Gibson reported for Range Com. on new work and repairs done at the range.
The application of C. H. Malley was read and accepted.
A long discussion was held in regard to prospective legislation on firearms, and Dr. Brunton and Mr F. C. Merrill were appointed as a committee to keep in touch with it and keep members posted.
The Officers elected for 1932 were as follows -
Vice Presidents - O. C. Gerrish and G. H. Blair.
Treas. E. W. Davis. Sec. - H. S. Gibbons.

Directors

F. S. Beckford	H. C. Fennell	N. P. Sipprelle
C. G. Bills	R. C. Gibson	A. J. Sutcliffe
H. R. Brunton	R. C. Harper	W. S. Wait
J. P. Dumgoole	A. P. Lambert	F. C. Whipple
R. J. Dwyer	Joseph Shedd	E. A. Zorn

The Directors held a meeting and elected Richard J. Dwyer as President for 1932

Adjourned 3-45
H. S. Gibbons. Sec.

Annual meeting held at Hotel Manger, North Station
Jan. 17th, 1933. Pres. Dwyer presiding —
There were present 18 members & 1 guest.
The report of the Secretary was read & accepted.
" " " Treasurer " " "
" " " Statistical Officer was postponed - not present.
A report of work carried on by the Range Com. was made by Mr. Gibson.
A donation of $100 was made by Mr. Danforth, ~~the~~ the disposition of this being left with the Board of Directors as to its best use.
Mr. Danforth also offered a trophy for a small bore match, the conditions to be left with the Prize & Match Com.
Moved and seconded that a new match be made up for 22 cal. Rifles - so voted.
Moved & seconded that a medal be given for each monthly Shot Gun Match.
Bringing up the matter of Range Fees, Mr Gibson suggested that a fee of 25¢ be charged all shooters per day, when using the range, instead of the $5.00 yearly fee.
This was referred to Board of Directors for their decision at their next meeting.
The election of Officers for 1933 resulted as follows.
Vice Presidents; - F. S. Beckford - O. E. Gerrish
Treasurer - E. H. Davis. Secretary - W. S. Gibbons
Directors. H. H. Bennett. - H. R. Brunton - J. P. Drumgoole
R. J. Dwyer - W. E. Fennell - R. E. Gibson - A. P. Lambert
Harold Morrill - P. H. Nutting - Joseph Shedd -
N. P. Sipprelle - W. J. Sutcliffe - W. S. Wait -
F. E. Whipple - E. A. Zorn.
Directors meeting called by Vice Pres. Gerrish and Mr. R. J. Dwyer was elected President for 1933.
The club meeting was adjourned at 8,10 and the members were entertained by Mr. Morrill with moving pictures, which were very much appreciated.

W. S. Gibbons. Sec.

BALLOT M R A ~~1933~~ 1934

VICE PRESIDENTS

F S BECKFORD ✓
O E GERRISH ✓

SECRETARY W. S. Wait

W S GIBBONS Pres

TREASURER

E W DAVIS ✓

DIRECTORS

~~H H BENNETT~~
H R BRUNTON
J R DRUMGOOLE
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W E FENNELL
R E GIBSON
A P LAMBERT
HAROLD MORRELL
PHIL NUTTING
J SHEDD
N P SIPPRELLE
W J SUTCLIFFE
W S WAIT
F E WHIPPLE
~~E A ZORN~~

The Mass. Rifle Assn.

Incorporated 1875.

Range at Walnut Hill, Mass.

Report of the Treasurer for the Year 1933.

Receipts		Payments	
Dues 1929-30-31-32	90.00	Tax	202.42
" 1933	375.00	Insurance, club house	53.75
" 1934	10.00	" Gov't Property	3.00
Range Fees	60.00	Marker's fees	163.25
Shooting Fees	231.00	Rebate Range Fees	20.00
Medal Tickets	60.35	Medals	174.82
Gift, A. P. Danforth	100.00	Bank, service charge & tax on checks	9.98
" Dr. Foster	10.00		
Refund, overcharge dues N.R.A.	5.00	R. E. Gibson, final payment on bill dated Nov. 24, 1931	52.00
Police Shoot	53.50		
Shotgun shooting	20.25	R. E. Gibson, bill dated May 1, '32	95.45
Pistol matches	13.95	Targets	83.80
Rifle "	81.15	Misc. hardware	78.62
Mass. Pistol League - for targets used, 1932-33	22.00	Concrete blocks	30.00
		Floor paint	6.00
Lead, dug out of bank	10.00	Painting flag pole	15.00
Brass	40.50	Stove	10.00
Insignia	1.00	Balance weights	10.00
	1183.70	Labor	135.85
		Cups	13.26
		Engraving	7.86
		E. Mass. Rifle League	10.00
		Mass. Pistol League	10.00
		Cash prizes	4.90
		Amunition	10.19
		N.R.A. dues	15.00
		Coke	6.60
		Postage	7.73
		Deficit, annual dinner	.85
		Roofing toilet	3.00
			1233.33
Balance from 1932	113.04	Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1934	63.41
	1296.74		1296.74

Remaining principal of Mortgage Note held by Helen Pike is - - - - $500.00 Interest at 6½%.

M. R. A. Treasurer's report for 1933. cont.

On Jan. 1, 1934, unpaid bills, which were due, were as follows:

N. G. Wood & Sons	$ 92.83
W. S. Gibbons, for pasters	5.72
Dirt for road	9.50
Hardware	7.55
W. E. Fennell	74.84
Barker Lumber Co.	1.12
Kirkwood Bros. Inc.	19.38
Total	$ 210.94
Cash on hand as above	63.41
Deficit Jan. 1, 1934	$ 147.53

Since then other bills have come due, insurance on club house has been paid, some cash has come in, so that at present, Jan. 24th, deficit amounts to $199.68

Comparing 1932 - 1933.

1932.		1933.	
Range & shooting fees	$ 330.00	Shooting fees	$ 231.00
Balance from 1931	203.89	Balance from 1932	113.04
" Jan. 1, 1933	113.04	" Jan. 1, 1934	63.41
Unpaid, Due Bills "	329.65	Unpaid, Due Bills "	210.94
Deficit "	216.61	Deficit "	147.53
		Gifts 1933	110.00
		Deficit without gifts	257.53
Total am't handled by treas.	1765.04	Total am't handled by treas	1296.74

Dues to end of 1933 which are unpaid and which we can reasonably expect to collect, amounts to $ 100.00 ±

Respectfully submitted
Edgar W. Davis
Treas. M. R. A.

Annual meeting of M.R.A. Jan. 24, 1934
at Hotel Manger. Pres. Dwyer presiding
There were present 18 members and 1 guest.
Secretary's report read and accepted
Treasurer's " " "
Stat. Officers " " "
Mr. Gibson reported for Range Com. on work done at the range during the past year.
A list of Officers for 1934 was presented by the Nominating Committee, which was voted unanimously
List follows.
Vice Presidents — F.S. Buckford. — C. E. Geruish.
Secretary — W. S. Wait.
Treasurer — Edgar W. Davis.
Directors — H. R. Brunton — W. Dalton. — T. R. Greengrole — R. J. Dwyer — W. E. Fennell, W. S. Gibbons, R. E. Gibson, J. Green, H. G. Keene, A. P. Lambert, H. H. Morill, B. A. Nutting, T. Sludd, W. T. Sutcliffe F. E. Whipple.
A meeting of the Directors was held, and W.S. Gibbons was elected President for 1934
A motion was made by Mr. Danforth and seconded by Mr. Lambert that some token of appreciation be presented to Mr. Dwyer for his services as President for the past two years. So voted and Messrs. Danforth & Lambert were chosen as committee to see it through.
The meeting adjourned and the members were entertained with a very interesting talk on methods of resuscitation by Mr. C.C. Perdaign, Physical Director of Cambridge Y.M.C.A and Special Examiner for the Red Cross.

Walter S. Wait.

JAN 23 1935

Walter Gibbons Pres.

Walter S. Wait, Sec. ×
Edgar W. Davis, Treas. ×
Vice Pres. H. L. Dwyer ×
Vice Pres. C. H. Gerrish ×

Directors

H. R. Brunton ×
David Dalton ×
J. P. Drumgoole-×
W. E. Fennell ×
W. S. Gibbons ×
R. E. Gibson ×
Jas. Greer ×
H. A. Dickenson ×
C. A. Moore ×
Howard Keene ×
A. P. Lambert ×
W. A. Morrill ×
P. A. Nutting ×
F. E. Whipple ×
Capt. Walker ×

Mass. Rifle Assn.
Inc. 1875.

Report of the Treasurer for the Year 1934.

Receipts	$	Payments	$
Dues 1931	10.—	N.R.A. Dues 1934	10.—
" 1932	30.—	" " 1935	10.—
" 1933	60.—	Bond Gov't Property	3.—
" 1934	275.—	Bank - Service Chge & Tax	11.62
" 1935	30.—	Postage	2.80
Range Fee 1931	5.—	Pasters	5.72
Rifle Matches	184.35	Printing - Annual Meeting	7.30
Birds	4.—	" Match Schedules	3.50
Guests	2.—	Shells	13.38
Old Stove	.50	Targets	34.45
Middlesex County League	61.75	Lumber	7.89
Marking Fees	148.90	Hardware	14.94
Medal Tickets	7.15	Coke	7.35
		J. E. Greer - Labor	20.—
		Filling for road	10.—
		W. E. Fennell - Pump Job	74.84
		Cigarette Case	1.38
		Medals	62.33
		Glass - Car window	5.—
		Markers Fees	140.—
		Insurance - Club House	53.75
		Interest, Mortgage Note	64.27
		City of Woburn - Part Tax	160.—
Balance from preceding year	63.41	Balance Jan 1, 1935	158.54
	$882.06		$882.06

The large amount of interest on mortgage note is caused by the fact that we were not billed for interest in 1933 or latter part of 1932, there having been deaths in family of holder of note. Remaining principal, mortgage note, held by estate of Helen Pike is $500.— interest at 6½ %.

Bills due for medals, hardware, insurance & unpaid tax, total $180.12 which makes deficit at end of year $21.58

Since then some money has come in, insurance and tax are paid and deficit, now, Jan. 23 is $21.83 This is a large improvement over last few years, the deficit at last annual meeting amounting to $199.68.

Respectfully submitted
Edgar W. Davis Treas.

M R A Annual Meeting Jan. 23, 1935

The annual meeting and dinner of the Mass Rifle Assoc was held on Wednesday evening Jan 23, 1935 at the Hotel Manger, Boston at 6 pm.

There were 15 members and three guests present, Moran?? Dwyer Nutting Gill Drumgoole Gibson Malley, Cutts, Moore Wait Beckford Brunton, Gibbons Genish Whipple, members, and Messrs. Murphy, Burke and Parella??

After dinner and a short entertainment of music of the talent from the Old Fashion Cafe, the business meeting was held.

The secy's report was read and accepted.

The treasurers report showing a deficit of $23.00 for 1934 was read and accepted.

The Range officers report was read and accepted.

Mr Beckford made some remarks on an old member Prof Geo L Hosmer who had died the previous month.

It was moved, seconded and so voted that a standing vote of respect to Prof. Hosmer by all present.

It was moved seconded and voted that the application for membership of Mr. Arthur S Parella present as guest be accepted.

A number of suggestions such as removal of the piazza roof etc were made but put over for lack of etc.

The report of the nom. Com. was made and ballots issued for the election of officers which resulted as follows.

Secy Wait & Davis Treas. V. P's. Dwyer & Genish Dirs: Brunton Dalton Drumgoole Fennell Gibbons Gibson Greer Dickenson Moore Keene Lambert Morrill Nutting Whipple and Capt Walker

After the election of officers the Vice Pres. Mr Genish called a meeting of directors who voted to elect Mr. W S Gibbons as President.

By this time the snow was getting deep and it was voted to adjourn and start for home.

Some snow storm. 22"

Mass. Rifle Assn.
Inc. 1875.
Report of the Treasurer for the Year 1935.

Receipts		Payments	
Dues 1932	.75	Bond, Gov't Property	3.—
1934	76.—	Old Colony T. Co. - Int. Mort. Note	30.42
1935	318.—	Woburn Nat. Bank - Mort. App.	4.—
1936	5.—	Johnson & Johnson, Att'ys.	
Rifle Matches	60.—	Exam. of title & certification of	
Small Bore match	34.90	same to Bank - Draw. Mort. Note -	
Arm Emblems	4.—	Attend to payment to Old Colony	
Targets sold	1.—	Trust Co. - Recording fees	33.05
Marking Fees	254.—	Woburn National Bank	
		Payments on principal	20.—
		" " interest	9.86
		City of Woburn - Tax bal. 1934	84.16
		" " " Tax 1935 entire	243.65
		Insurance, Club Ho. 1 yr.	53.75
		N. G. Wood & Sons - Medals	47.28
		Markers fees	130.35
		Star Printing Co.	7.50
		Ford " "	3.00
		Fleming " "	8.—
		Chain link fence	21.—
		Small bore prizes	23.75
		Free Rifle prizes	13.—
		Misc. labor	22.10
		Postage	3.55
		Bank Service	10.—
		Targets	30.80
		Lumber	17.83
		Hardware	10.10
		Coke	7.50
		Dinner for guest	1.—
		Clothes pins	1.—
		Mass. Pistol League 1935	8.—
Balance Jan. 1, 1935	158.54	Balance Jan. 1, 1936	64.54
	912.19		912.19

Bills received and due Jan. 1, 1936 totalled $89.69 This leaves a deficit at that date, of $25.15 Since then, funds have been received, all bills due have been paid and we have at this time, Jan. 29, 1936, a balance of $32.85 This is due to the large income of 1936 dues and Return from Middlesex Sportsman's League for 1935, received since the 1st of Jan. 1936.

Mortgage Note is now held by the Woburn National Bank and is at this date reduced to $475. We are paying $5.- per mo. on principal, interest at 6%.

I would like to urge that all funds, received by others which are payable to the treasurer, be paid promptly, because if this is not done, the treasurer's report does not

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give a true picture of the financial condition of the Association for the particular year which is reported.
For example: Since the first of this year 1936, the treasurer has received dues for 1935, which were actually paid in Jan. 1935, also, an accounting of other funds which should have been received in 1934 & 1935, such as, league dues and postage. So, you can readily see that the treasurer's report for 1936, which you will receive a year from now, will show income and payments which should have been reported one or two years previous.

The above is not to be construed as criticism, but a suggestion that we be more prompt in returns to treasurer, in the future, to the end that the treasurer's report be a true one for the year reported.

Respectfully Submitted

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Treas. M.R.A.